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SUBMARINE BOATS OF UNITED STATES NAVY

Commander Sterling Testifies Before House Naval Committee—Sec. Daniels Also to Testify

WASHINGTON, Dec. 14.—Military preparedness of the country was up for discussion again today by the house naval affairs committee with Secretary Daniels on hand ready to continue his testimony. Commander Sterling of the naval tender Dixie was to testify regarding the condition of submarine boats of the navy. Testimony of these two witnesses was expected to conclude the public sessions of the committee preliminary to holding executive sessions when the naval appropriation bill is to be finally passed upon before being reported to the house.

Testimony so far has been to the effect that while an increase of submarines was desirable, the number of battleships should not be curtailed on that account; that there is a present shortage of officers and men; that it has been difficult to get satisfactory aeroplanes in which the United States is behind Europe; that the Mexican expedition brought out clearly the lack of medical supplies and the need of two new hospital ships; that for a full medical complement the navy is short 65 naval officers and that there are numerous needs of the navy.

The need of additional funds with which to meet the social obligations of the superintendent of the naval academy was brought out in the executive hearings. Captain William Fullam, confiding to the naval committee, "that I would not go to the naval academy again as superintendent under these circumstances," of lack of sufficient funds for hospitalities that could not be escaped, suggested that "Annapolis is very near Washington." This, he said, entails social responsibilities, besides "the real obligation to entertain the midshipmen, which has a tremendous influence for good upon them." He advocated his successors have a contingent fund of $2500 a year for this purpose, the military academy at West Point having $3,000.

TURKISH BATTLESHIP TORPEDOED BY BRITISH

British Submarine Entered the Dardenelles and Dived Under Five Rows of Mines and Torpedoed Turkish Warship Messudieh

LONDON, Dec. 14.—A communication is issued by the official bureau today, announcing that the Turkish battleship Messudieh has been torpedoed by a British submarine.

The official bureau's statement is as follows:

"Yesterday submarine B 11 in charge of Lieutenant Commander Norman B. Holbrook of the royal navy entered the Dardanelles and, in spite of the difficult current, dived under five rows of mines and torpedoed the Turkish battleship Messudieh, which was guarding the mine fields.

"Although pursued by gunfire and torpedoboats, the B 11 returned safely after being submerged, on one occasion for nine hours.

"When last seen the Messudied was sinking by the stern."

The Messudieh was a very old boat, having been built at Blackwell, Eng., in 1874 and reconstructed in 1903.

TIME FOR GENERAL ADVANCE OF ALLIES

English and French Papers Declare Time is Near for Move in France and Belgium

LONDON, Dec. 14—The first serious blow inflicted on the Turkish navy since the entrance of the Porte into the war—the torpedoing of the battleship Messudieh by a British submarine in the Dardanelles—gave naval color to today's war news and was in fact the only striking occurrence chronicled by land or by sea.

Little or no change has been reported on the western battlefront and in the east Russia and Germany continue to fight a seemingly endless battle for the control of western Poland.

English and French newspapers unite in declaring that the time is drawing near for the much discussed general advance of the allies through France and Belgium and some unofficial reports say this move is about to be undertaken if it has not actually begun.

Progress necessarily would be inch by inch and even the most optimistic of the British observers, assuming that a general forward movement of the allies is to be essayed concede that it will be spring before any appreciable eastern progress could be made.

The feat of Lieutenant Commander Holbrook in diving with the submarine B 11 under five rows of mines in the Dardanelles and torpedoing the Turkish battleship is described here as perhaps the boldest marine exploit of the war. The submarine presumably was not scratched. She escaped gunfire and the pursuit of torpedoboats in a manner truly remarkable, and it was necessary for her crew to endure the ordeal of remaining under water for nine hours on a stretch. Russian guns have from time to time inflicted some damage on Turkish warships bombarding Russian ports but the disaster reported today robs the Porte of its first big ship. The loss of life is not estimated in the brief announcement of the episode given out by the British admiralty but if the Messudieh was manned as other Turkish ships have been, then there was a number of German officers on board of her.

PANAMA LAWS IGNORED

Col. George W. Goethals Wants Torpedo Boat Destroyers to Patrol Canal Waters

PANAMA, Dec. 14.—Colonel George W. Goethals, governor of the canal zone, was impelled to suggest to the government at Washington that two swift American torpedo boat destroyers be stationed at the Panama canal, one at each end, by the recent activity of belligerent warships and colliers in the vicinity of the isthmian waterway.

The action of the Australian collier Mallina, which left Bahia without clearance papers, and the fact that this and other colliers have shown a disposition to disregard the canal zone shipping laws, induced Colonel Goethals to take a decisive measure to preserve in every way the neutrality of the canal.

Nearly all of the colliers which have gathered in canal waters arrived without health certificates, and in several instances the ships sailed without clearance papers. It is presumed that the steamers met and coaled the Australian and English fleet which concentrated recently in the vicinity of the Pearl islands, which lie 60 miles southeast of Panama city.

The United States torpedo boat destroyers requested by the governor are expected to do patrol duty and promptly to overhaul any belligerent craft attempting to disregard the canal authorities.

Alleged violations of the canal shipping laws have, it is said, been the subject of complaint to Sir Claud C. Mallet, British minister to Panama, and also have resulted in causing orders to the fortifications to prevent unneutral colliers remaining in ports in the canal zone in disregard of the orders of the canal authorities.

In the case of the collier Mallina, it is stated that she arrived without clearance papers or a health certificate, and with no coal or supplies. She attempted to buy $3000 worth of supplies, consisting largely of articles intended for a Christmas dinner for a large force. She was refused the supplies and was ordered to depart because she refused to state her destination, as required by the canal zone laws. The collier Proteslaus is pointed to as a similar case.

It is tsated that there has been much wireless interference in canal waters on the part of eight colliers, which recently were in the vicinity of the canal, and also by large warship fleets, reported to be within 25 miles of both ends of the canal.

STUBBORN FIRE

In the Mansur Block—Blaze at Fairmount Street Residence

Fire broke out in the Mansur block at the corner of Central and Market streets about 11 o'clock yesterday and for a time it was feared that the building was doomed. The blaze was discovered by E. C. Osborn, employed by J. A. Weinbeck, and a telephone alarm summoned a portion of the fire department. This was quickly followed by an alarm from box 25, at the police station and the prompt work of the firemen prevented a serious loss.

The fire started in a shaft in the centre of the building through which numerous pipes pass and the reflection of the blaze through the partitions attracted the attention of Mr. Osborn. The blaze made rapid headway and the firemen found considerable difficulty in getting in a position to extinguish the creeping flames. It was necessary to rip off the partitions on several floors and to use a large quantity of water, before the fire was put out. The origin of the blaze could not be learned though it is suspected plumbers who worked in the shaft during the past week left some material which caused the fire.

The entire loss is estimated at about $500, the principal damage being done to the building which is owned by the Nesmith estate. Dr. Dugdale was also a heavy loser as was the proprietor of the Crown studio. Slight damage was done in the Mathew Temperance institute rooms and to the undertaking establishment of J. A. Weinbeck.

Fred C. Church carried insurance on the Mansur block damaged by fire yesterday morning, also on the stock of John B. Chapman, tailor; Ella C. Green, studio, and J. A. Weinbeck's stock.

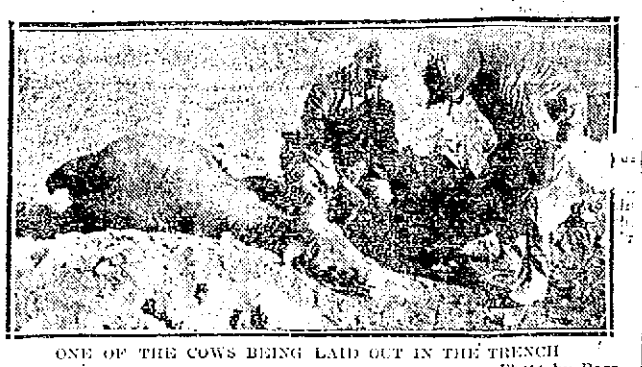
Fire at Lawyer Donahue's Home

Considerable damage was done to the dwelling of Daniel J. Donahue at 157 Fairmount street by a fire which was discovered at 9 o'clock yesterday forenoon. The fire originated under a couch in one of the parlors and spread rapidly before the arrival of the fire department. A portion of the front part of the house was badly damaged while the furniture on the lower floor suffered considerably from smoke and water. A telephone alarm was followed by an alarm from box 87.

Fred C. Church carried insurance on the house and contents of Daniel J. Donahue, Esq., Fairmount street, damaged by fire yesterday morning.

A telephone alarm at 12.14 o'clock yesterday was for a fire in an automobile on Stedman street. The machine is owned by H. L. Chalifoux and the blaze was extinguished before any damage was done.

THE HELAND HERD KILLED



ONE OF THE COWS BEING LAID OUT IN THE TRENCH
Photo by Barr

State Officials Slaughtered Cattle and Pigs—One Cow Made a Race for Life

The George F. Heland herd of cattle in Dracut was the last herd to be killed in this state as the result of the foot and mouth disease. Mr. Heland's farm is just this side of the New Hampshire line, and one who happened that way Saturday forenoon might imagine that the Germans and allies were fighting it out on neutral territory. State and government agents killed 39 cattle and 25 pigs, and some hens.

Dr. Charles J. Dailey, district agent for the department of animal industry, was high executioner, and he had as his assistants Frank S. Marion and Fred S. Bancroft. Dr. Hyde and Dr. Crawford were appraisers for the government, and Otis E. Fushush and M. T. Cerrigan, appraisers for the state. Dr. Eaton was also present.

Dr. Dailey, the man with the gun, belongs in Lexington. He used a 45-calibre Colt revolver and his aim was ever sure. He is the William Tell of the animal industry department. As the cows were led out they were placed in trenches as was the case in the shooting of the Coburn herd. Pigs and cattle were buried in the same trenches with a covering of quicklime to insure their complete destruction.

The work was begun at 9 o'clock and was finished early in the afternoon. There was some excitement when one of the cows bolted upon reaching the trench and started pell-mell through the field with two men hanging on to either horn for dear life. The cow's marathon, however, was cut short by one of the men who gave her the foot as she was about to jump a stone wall. Twenty minutes later she had forgotten all about her troubles, she was dead in the trench with pigs as her death companions.

Agent C. F. Richardson and his assistant, C. F. Gilmore of the Lowell Humane society were present by invitation, as was The Sun's photographer. All of the men actively engaged and those present as spectators were required to wear rubber garments and high rubber boots to permit effective disinfecting at the completion of the task.

Mr. Heland will receive between $2600 and $2000 for his cattle, the state paying one-half, and the federal government one-half. It will be several months, however, before he will receive his money as appropriations for extraordinary expenses both in the state and federal governments have been dissipated. The chances are that the bill will not be paid until the legislature gets down to business again and appropriates the money.

The Sun photographer visited the scene and took a snapshot as one of the cows was laid out in the trench.

PASTOR IS THREATENED

Catholic Priest Formerly of This City Receives Blackhand Threat of Death

Rev. Casimir Urbanowicz, pastor of St. Rocco's church, Montello, who received a blackhand letter one day last week threatening his life unless he vacated the church property, was formerly pastor of St. Joseph's (Lithuanian) church in Rogers stret, this city.

Rev. Fr. Urbanowicz celebrated mass at the church yesterday despite the pleas of his people. A number of policemen were on hand to guard the priest from molestation, and a close watch was kept on all persons coming near the rectory of the church. A middle aged woman is suspected of delivering the blackhand letter containing the threats to kill the priest. Her arrest is expected at any moment.

Here is the text of the blackhand letter:

"Dear Father:—If you do not vacate St. Rocco's church property, where you are now living, within twenty-four hours, we will kill you.

"This is no joke, as you will find out in due time."

Instead of a signature appeared a blackhand with a drawing of a skull and crossbones at the top of the letter paper.

The letter was written in lead pencil and in English. The writer was fairly intelligent, according to the police. It was delivered to the maid at the rectory, Miss Mary Sarkilosky.

Rev. Fr. Urbanowicz made many friends during his stay at St. Joseph's church in this city. He was a tall, fine looking man and possessed many scholarly atainments. His former parishioners are greatly incensed over the sending of the threatening letter and are in hopes that the writer will be speedily apprehended.

SHE IS NOT DEAD

Mrs. C. L. Merriam Not Seriously Injured and Will Recover

The Lowell friends of Mrs. Charles L. Merriam, wife of the former Lowell clergyman killed in an auto accident in New Jersey, will rejoice to know that she is not dead and that her recovery is expected. She was in the auto with her husband when the accident occurred and was seriously injured.

Somehow the report that she was dead was sent out from Boston Saturday and was published widely over the state.

Mr. A. W. Greeley, her brother, who resides at 459 Beacon street, this city, wired to New Jersey Saturday evening asking if she had died of her injuries as reported. He received in reply a statement that she was not dead and that her speedy recovery is expected. She suffered severely from the nervous shock as well as the actual injuries. She was too ill to be notified of her husband's death until late on the day following. She was unable to leave the hospital to attend the funeral which occurred Friday but she has borne up well under the strain.

It is hoped she will soon be able to leave the hospital.

The funeral of Mr. Merriam was held Friday from the Congregational church in Hackensack, N. J.

Mrs. Merriam was formerly Miss Grace Greeley of Pelham. She was a public school teacher in the city of Malden before her marriage.

FIRE CAUSED $5000 LOSS

BLAZE IN PITTSFIELD BUSINESS BUILDING IS BELIEVED TO HAVE STARTED FROM ELECTRIC WIRES

PITTSFIELD, Dec. 14.—A fire, which is believed to have started from electric wiring, caused damage of $5000 in a wooden building on Fenn and Pearl streets yesterday. The blaze spread between partitions to the second and third floors, and the largest damage was in the works of Pfeiffer & S. Cheyne, A. F. Dodge's harness shop and Klein Bros.' grocery, due to water and smoke.

Some loss on the third floor will fall on the Pittsfield garage. Knights of Malta, St. Jean Baptiste society and Court Greylock, F. of A., which used this loor as a lodge roof. The building is owned by Ex-Mayor Allen H. Bagg.

DEATHS

SIMPSON—Mrs. Emily J. Simpson, widow of the late Olienthus A. Simpson, formerly of Lowell, died at her home in Main street, Salem, N. H. She leaves a son, Edwin A. Simpson of Lowell, and a daughter, Mary F. Simpson of Salem, N. H.

MARTIN—William J. Martin died on Saturday in New York city, aged 57 years. He leaves his wife, Mrs. Nettie Martin, and one sister, Mrs. Ida Merrill of this city.

LAFOND—Mrs. Corinne (Naurie) Lafond, wife of Calixte Lafond, aged 26 years, 10 months, 13 days, died Saturday evening at the Lowell hospital. She leaves, besides her husband, an infant son; two brothers, George and Stanislas Naurie; also three sisters, Misses Cecile and Regina Naurie and Mrs. Henry Favreau, all of Manchester, N. H. The body was placed aboard the 10.10 o'clock train yesterday morning for Manchester, N. H., where burial took place in the family lot in St. Augustine's cemetery. Undertakers Amedee Archambault & Son had charge of local arrangements.

DRUMM—Mrs. Mary Drumm died on Saturday at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Hans C. Bakke, 59 Fay street, aged 71 years. She leaves, besides her daughter, one son, Francis J.; one brother, James Murray; also three grandchildren, George H., Mary C. and Francis J. Bakke.

OWENS—Hugh Owens, an esteemed resident of Centralville and a member of St. Michael's church, died Saturday night at his home, 864 Bridge street. He leaves a wife; two daughters, Margaret and Mary; one sister, Mrs. Ellen McRafferty in Ireland. Deceased was for many years an employe of the J. C. Ayer Co. He was a member of the Quarter Century club, and of the Holy Name sodality of St. Michael's church.

McDERMOTT—Mrs. Ellen McDermott died yesterday at the Coram house private hospital. Deceased had been a resident of this city for many years and a member of the Sacred Heart church. She leaves one son, Frank, of Seattle, Wash.; one sister, Mrs. Mary Wood; a sister-in-law, Mrs. Mary J. McDermott; also two grandchildren, Donald McDermott of Seattle, Wash., and Ella A. Dwyer of Providence, R. I. The body was taken to the rooms of Undertakers Higgins Bros.

FUNERAL NOTICES

McDERMOTT—The funeral of Mrs. Ellen McDermott will take place Tuesday morning, Dec. 15, at 9 o'clock from the funeral parlors of Higgins Bros. on Lawrence street. High mass of requiem will be celebrated at the Sacred Heart church at ten o'clock. Burial will take place in St. Patrick's cemetery. Funeral in charge of Undertakers Higgins Bros.

DRUMM—The funeral of Mrs. Mary F. Drumm will take place Tuesday morning, Dec. 15, at 8 o'clock from the home of her daughter, Mrs. Hans C. Bakke, 59 Fay street. High mass of requiem will be celebrated at the Sacred Heart church at 9 o'clock. Burial will take place in St. Patrick's cemetery. Funeral in charge of Undertakers Higgins Bros.

OWENS—The funeral of Hugh Owens will take place tomorrow morning, Dec. 15, at 9 o'clock from his home, 864 Bridge street. At 10 o'clock a solemn high mass of requiem will be sung at St. Michael's church. Burial in St. Patrick's cemetery in charge of James F. O'Donnell & Sons.

LOVE AT FIRST SIGHT

ANDREW SEYMOUR AND HIS BRIDE, WHO WAS MISS ROSE MATTE OF ITALY, IN MARLBORO

MARLBORO, Dec. 14.—Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Seymour arrived here Saturday night. They were passengers on the steamer Canopic, and came from Italy, where they were married Sept. 1. Mr. Seymour went to Italy eight months ago on a visit. He met Miss Rose Matte of Campobasso, and it was a case of love at first sight. They were married in Campobasso.

Mr. Seymour wanted to get home three months ago, but found the European war blocking the way. Although he was born in this country, the Italian authorities had him examined for army service. His family say that the marriage in Italy made him amenable to Italian law.

CANFIELD'S BODY CREMATED

Simple Funeral Services Conducted for Gambler and Art Connoisseur at New York Yesterday

NEW YORK, Dec. 14.—The body of Richard Canfield, gambler and art connoisseur, who died last Friday from a fracture of the skull, was cremated yesterday at Fresh Pond, L. I. The ashes will be shipped to New Bedford, Mass., today, to be buried there in the Canfield family lot.

Prior to the cremation, simple funeral services were conducted in the Broadway Tabernacle, Broadway and 56th street, Rev. Dr. Wm. A. Kirkwood, the assistant pastor, officiating. Only Canfield's widow, Mrs. Genevieve Canfield; his son and his daughter, Mrs. Grace Hannon, and a few friends attended. All information was refused at the Canfield home, 506 Madison avenue. It was said that the gambler's widow, son and daughter departed late last evening for Providence, where Mrs. Canfield lives.

FUNERALS

MARSTON—The funeral of Dr. Joseph N. Marston was held Saturday afternoon from his home, 776 Bridge street. Rev. C. A. Lincoln conducted the services. There were many floral offerings. The bearers were Almon Harmon, Dr. Clarence B. Livingston, Russell Fox, Frank K. Stearns, Dr. William Jones and Clark T. Cutting of Boston. Burial was in the Lowell cemetery in charge of Undertaker John A. Weinbeck. Delegations were present from Kilwinning lodge, A. F. and A. M., Mt. Horeb Royal Arch chapter and Sons of the American Revolution.

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SEC. WILSON'S REPORT

Discusses Calumet and Colorado Strikes — Review of the Labor Disputes

WASHINGTON, Dec. 14.—Secretary Wilson of the department of labor, in his annual report, submitted yesterday, expresses the conviction that had the owners of the mine properties in the Calumet copper region and the Colorado coal fields dealt with the strike situations in their inception, "had they been on the ground and personally in charge, there is reason to believe that no strike would have occurred."

"Whatever may have been the responsibility of the workmen for the strike and its incidents" said Secretary Wilson, "the local management cannot be wholly acquitted; and upon the elementary principle of agency, as sound in morals as in law, ultimate responsibility must rest upon the owners."

Principally, Secretary Wilson's report is devoted to a review of the labor disputes the department has successfully mediated during the last year and it defines at some length the principles upon which the department acts in such cases. Of the mediation and conciliation work the report says:—

"Of all the functions of the department of labor which it is yet possible to administer, this one may be reasonably regarded as the most important. Suggesting with reference to labor disputes a development of diplomatic duties in the department of labor analogous to those in the department of state with reference to international disputes, it points to a federal administrative system for promoting and fostering industrial peace; not a peace of the Warsaw order, but one of mutual benefit and good will.

Industrial Disputes

"Primarily the department of labor must conserve in industrial disputes the interests of the wage earners of the United States. Such is its duty under the law of its creation, the first section of which charges it with responsibility for their general welfare while the eighth makes this responsibility specific as to labor disputes. And those interests are exceptional in their magnitude. Not only do wage earners constitute in number more than a third of our total population, but in financial respects also their aggregate interests are vast. It is doubtful if any vocational interests represented in our governmental system exceed in volume of public importance those of the wage earners of the United States.

"But though the department of labor represents primarily the wage-earning interests in labor disputes, its ideal is to make its representation similar in character to that of the department of state, which, while representing the interests of this country in disputes between it and other countries, does so with fairness toward all countries. Accordingly the policy of the department of labor, though it executes its mediation and conciliation functions as the governmental representative of wage-earning interests, is to do so without partisanship or prejudice, but with fairness to every interest concerned.

"It should be understood, therefore, that mediation does not mean arbitration, compulsory or otherwise. Nor is it in any other sense a judicial function. The function is one of negotiation. Neither the secretary nor commissioners of conciliation whom he appoints are arbitrators. Though they may propose arbitration when circumstances seem to call for it, they do not themselves act as arbitrators, and it is contrary to the policy of the department of labor for them to do so.

For Peaceful Settlements

"What the commissioners of conciliation seek to do is to bring employer and employee together, so that they may work out their differences between themselves peaceably and amicably; as business men with legitimate differences to adjust. When commissioners fail in that way to get employe and employer together, mediation is resorted to. The commissioners negotiate between representatives of the employe and representatives of the employer in an effort to find some mutually satisfactory basis of agreement. Failing also in that, the commissioners endeavor to get the conflicting parties to agree to a basis of arbitration, the award to decide nothing but the points actually in dispute. Any of those three courses is preferable to a strike.

"When the department is unable, whether through commissioners of conciliation or otherwise, to get the parties to meet and work out their own problems, or to agree upon an adjustment by way of mediatorial negotiation, or to adopt arbitration by arbitrators of their own choosing, then there is nothing further the department can do than to give to the public the information necessary to enable it to pass a fair judgment upon the merits of the dispute.

"It will be seen, therefore, that the qualifications of commissioners of conciliation are not at all judicial, and that criticisms of their having or having had partisan affiliations are based upon a misapprehension of the duty the statute has imposed upon them and upon this department. It is not a reasonable objection to a commissioner of conciliation that he belongs to a workers' organization, nor that he belongs to an employers' organization. His important qualifications are not ignorance of or indifference to the interests of either party or both, but tact, fairness, and good feeling in negotiations in addition to competency with reference to technical aspects of the matters in dispute. Those qualifications among persons having no affiliations with either side are too rare for the practical purposes of mediation and conciliation.

Merits From All Angles

"It is, then, the policy of the department of labor, and has been its custom, to appoint in important cases two or more commissioners of conciliation of the kind just described, so that the secretary may be intelligently advised of the merits of the dispute from all angles on both sides.

"This was done in the case of the Colorado coal strike, one of the commissioners in that case being, as already stated, a miner whose labor affiliations pointed to possible sympathy with the strikers, the other being a mine operator whose business affiliations pointed possibly to sympathy with the mine operators. But both were fair-minded as well as technically competent men. Their joint recommendation, approved by the department and the president and accepted by the strikers, is confidently submitted as evidence of the good faith of the department's commissioners of conciliation and of the wisdom of its general policy in mediation and conciliation work.

"Although the department seldom offers mediation in labor disputes unless solicited to do so, and although this is regarded as the wiser policy at present, yet the statute empowers the secretary to act whenever, in his judgment, the interests of industrial peace may require it to be done; and conditions are conceivable in which it would be advisable for the department to offer its good offices though neither party requested or desired it. In the case, for instance, of a strike of such bitterness as to inspire both sides with a determination to fight to the bitter end, and of such magnitude as to prejudice other industrial interests or to disturb the public at large, it would doubtless be the duty of the department of labor to intervene."

Michigan Copper Strike

The Colorado and Michigan strikes Secretary Wilson dismisses briefly, quoting references he made to them in his last report. Of the Michigan copper strike, he says: "If the managers of the properties involved in this strike had dealt with the dispute at its inception, as its principal owners (Messrs. Shaw and Agassiz) might have done had they been on the ground and personally in charge, there is reason to believe that no strike would have occurred. But the local superintendent, doubtless an excellent property manager, appears by the reports to have been a poor manager of men.

"When the employees solicited a conference with him, in order to present grievances, their request was entirely ignored. It appears to have been this treatment that precipitated the strike and kindred treatment that prevented subsequent negotiations for terminating it fairly. No rights of the company could have been injured, nor any prejudice to its business incurred, by a courteous reception of complaints from the employees, followed by removing grievances if real or explaining them away if mistaken.

Management Partially to Blame

"Whatever may have been the responsibility of the workmen for the strike and its incidents, the local management cannot be wholly acquitted; and upon the elementary principle of agency, as sound in morals as in law, ultimate responsibility must rest upon the owners."

Of the Colorado strike the secretary says:

"The coal strike in Colorado, which has necessitated the use of Federal troops, is another conspicuous instance of industrial [illegible] which, however heavily the responsibility may rest upon the strikers, it must attach also to the local management of the property involved and therefore to the responsible owners. In its early stages this strike could, as stated in the first annual report, have been settled upon fair terms had the proposals of the department of labor for arbitration by an unbiased board chosen by mutual agreement been promptly accepted."

Mr. Wilson then discusses the distribution of wage earners, saying:

"The welfare of the wage earners of the United States can not be served by mediation of labor disputes alone. Affirmative measures for modifying if not wholly obviating the industrial maladjustments that generate these disputes must be undertaken as well. For this purpose legislation is necessary. Pending such legislation, however, the department is utilizing its present powers as fully as circumstances permit by availing itself of the services of the division of information in the bureau of immigration. This division of that bureau has been specifically empowered by congress to promote a beneficial distribution of immigrants. By its subsequent subordination to the department of labor, charged as this department is with promoting the welfare of the wage earners of the United States, that function may be regarded as having been so far inferentially enlarged as to include citizens within the scope of its intended benefits. The department has therefore, through the division of information entered upon plans of work for improving the opportunities of the wage-earners of the United States, whether citizens or aliens, for profitable employment.

Disputes Cause Idleness

"Excess in the supply of labor over demand for it is a cause of labor disputes which ranks high in importance, if indeed it does not rank as the cause. In colloquial terms the 'jobless man' puts all wage-workers at a disadvantage in bargaining with employers. The 'manless job' is a corresponding colloquialism. If there were a profitable 'manless job' for every 'jobless man' the complete remedy for industrial disputes would be to bring the two together; but whether so complete a correspondence exists or not, no one is all familiar with the problem of seasonal employment and of accidental displacements of wage-earners can doubt that it exists in some degree. There were 'manless jobs' for 'jobless' victims of the Salem fire, and this department helped to bring the two together; there are 'manless jobs' of the seasonal kind on our farms and elsewhere to which this department has been able in some instances to bring 'jobless men.' Insofar as departmental work of this kind can be improved and expanded, the evils of labor disputes will be minimized; and with reference to such work the co-operation of congress is urgently solicited. What is needed is timely and widespread information concerning labor conditions in every part of the country.

"By systematically bringing some 'jobless men' and some 'manless jobs' together on a national scale, the necessary first steps will have been taken toward complete removal of what is perhaps the most potent cause of labor disputes—involuntary unemployment. Even in the taking of those first steps the modifying effect will be progressively realized from the beginning.

"Of course, the labor problem cannot be solved by ameliorative plans such as are here proposed unless the causes of involuntary unemployment are unbelievably superficial and vulnerable; but with seasonal variations of employment nationally adjusted, with accidental disturbances to employment nationally provided for, with individual delinquencies in respect of employment better understood by national public opinion, and with such ameliorations of industrial distress as this department is now preparing to offer, a right beginning will have been made. This work will at least clear the way for dealing effectively with the deep-rooted and more stubborn and general causes of involuntary unemployment which thoughtful observers of modern industrial conditions seem to recognize in one form or another."

Secretary Wilson renews his last year's recommendation that congress prohibit interstate transportation of armed private police or guards for either side in industrial disputes. Suggestions for general legislation, he says, will be made on occasion. The report reviews at some length the year's work in the various bureaus in the department of labor.

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DEATH MYSTERY

Louis Miller Succumbs in Holyoke Hospital—Found Unconscious

SPRINGFIELD, Dec. 14.—As a result of injuries sustained in a mysterious manner shortly after 10 Saturday night near the draw bridge of the Boston & Maine railroad in Williamsett, Louis Miller, aged 45, of Newell street, Williamsett, died yesterday in the Holyoke City hospital. He was picked up by passersby unconscious in a dark spot. He did not regain consciousness.

He was found by Edward Bourbeau and Daniel J. Buckley a short distance from the dry bridge, and because a man was seen running away from that locality a short time before it is thought that he was assaulted. However, $30 which he had with him was not taken. The case is being investigated by the Chicopee police and an autopsy will be held tomorrow.

Miller was employed by the American Thread company of Holyoke as helper on an auto truck.

HE DIED FROM LOCKJAW

RIDER'S DEATH DUE TO HEDGEHOG QUILL—VERMONT MAN WORKED WHERE ANIMALS WERE KILLED

BRATTLEBORO, Vt., Dec. 14.—Leslie Kiler, aged 17, of Marlboro, died at the Memorial hospital yesterday from lockjaw, with which he had been suffering for several days.

While at work two weeks ago haying a dead horse in a pasture where several hedgehogs had been killed, a quill became imbedded in his knee, and although he paid little attention to it at the time, the injury gradually grew worse.

He is survived by his mother. His father suffered a sunstroke while haying some time ago.

WATER PIPE BURST

A gang of men was sent to a standpipe on Harrison street at 12 o'clock yesterday to check a leak which was caused by the freezing of the pipe. It is said that the standpipe on that street was not shut off this year and the thawing of the snow and ice caused a burst. For several minutes the water poured out of the ground in the vicinity but the water department men promptly located the leak and shut off the street main.

UNKNOWN MAN KILLED

PAPER FOUND ON BODY PICKED UP AT AYER INDICATES VICTIM BELONGED IN LACONIA

AYER, Dec. 14.—The body of an unknown man, who was evidently killed by a train, was picked up yesterday morning near the tracks of the Worcester, Nashua and Portland division of the B. & M. near Groton.

He was about 60 years old, 5 feet 8 inches tall and weighed 150 pounds. He wore a dark soft velvet hat and dark clothes and a letter "T" was embroidered on his shirt. A slip of paper bearing an address, of which only the word Laconia is distinguishable, was found in his pocket.

A man answering his description inquired Saturday night about trains running toward Nashua, and it is thought that he may have fallen from the 4 a. m. Nashua-bound freight yesterday.

PRAISES THE BELGIANS

BARON VON DER GOLTZ SAYS SUCH OPPONENTS SHOULD BE ESTEEMED

BERLIN, Dec. 14.—The correspondent of the Tageblatt in Sofia, Bulgaria, telegraphs an interview he had with Field Marshal Baron von Der Goltz while the latter was on his way to Constantinople. Regarding Belgium Baron Von Der Goltz said:

"The situation is normal, the population having convinced themselves that the Germans are not barbarians. Life continues as in peace time and commerce and transportation are getting better.

"The Belgians fought bravely for their fatherland. Such opponents should be esteemed."

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NEW PASTOR FOR GRACE CHURCH

Stamford Pastor Comes to Lowell; Sermon on Christian Syndicalism

Strong Sermons Preached at Kirk Street and First Baptist Churches

Rev. Herbert E. Benton of Stamford, Conn., has accepted the call to Grace church, this city, the call having been extended by a unanimous vote of the members at a recent meeting. He will begin his work here about the first of January. In Stamford, Mr. Benton has conducted social forum meetings on similar lines to those started here by Rev. C. R. Skinner.

Speaking on "Christian Syndicalism" at Grace church, Sunday morning, Rev. Clarence R. Skinner said:

"Syndicalism is the French form of labor union; and the recent developments of labor abroad, especially in France, have left the old conservative lines of trade organization, and are organizing labor forces as a whole, as a complete unit in any particular community. Our form of labor organization has heretofore been along horizontal lines, each type of labor in its particular strata; and for this reason it has been difficult to mobilize. Syndicalism is a vertical organization from the apex down to the base, representing the highest type of skilled labor, down to the lowest types. The American form of syndicalism takes expression in the I. W. W.; but let not that immediate experience blind us to the tremendous value and the inevitableness of the movement and the vision that is behind the movement. It seems inevitable that we shall have a vertical organization of labor forces, which shall include all types of labor.

"Our modern society, too, is made up on the same horizontal principle. Human beings are shelved away in certain well defined strata. Syndicalism, therefore, is very fundamental and very necessary, in order to get a more social and reciprocal type of society for the 20th century.

"In our society of the future, there is going to be a process of spiritual and intellectual transfusion. Men of great spiritual and mental vitality are going to pour themselves into those of more restricted sphere and limited experience, until we shall have an average of vital strength and power that shall make our society really democratic; and a spiritual transfusion shall transform this earth into a kingdom of righteousness.

First Baptist Church

Large congregations were the order of the day at the First Baptist church yesterday and they were treated to stirring sermons by Rev. A. C. Archibald. In the morning his theme was: "An Amazing Partnership in a marvelous Enterprise."

The evening sermon was the second in the series upon the general subject of "You," and the preacher proceeded to consider "Your job, your house, your wife and you." This theme, he said, was really comprised in the idea of environment.

He said in part:

When a man in sin gets the consciousness of God into him he will be reformed. You will never save the drunkard by abolishing the saloon. He must be led by the consciousness of the power of God. You save a man not by beginning with his conditions, but by beginning with the man himself, and until you have changed the man you cannot save him. To change him he must have a new sense of God in his heart. The place to begin with environment is not on the circumference but in the centre. The doctrine of the grace of God is this: Clean up the man. The place to begin the redemption of the community is in the individual soul. Of course there is other work to be done. Unless environment has its basis of life no man can realize from it true development into character and godliness. Thoughtless men and women have their lives in God, but they do not develop spiritually because they are dead in trespasses and sins. Some may say they would be Christians if their environment was changed. But God is no more in one place than He is in another. It is in Him, not in Christian surroundings that we live and have our being. The first environment of every man's life is God, but if his spirit is dead he may never know God. Through Jesus Christ he may develop and grow into divine grace. It is in this way that you may know God—through His own blessed Son.

Kirk Street Church

"St. Paul's Theory of Evolution" was Rev. C. A. Lincoln's sermon subject at the Kirk Street church, Sunday morning. He found his inspiration in Romans, 8:19. "The earnest expectation of the creation waiteth for the revelation of the sons of God."

Mr. Lincoln asked if we were not relying more or less upon science to do what we once thought to be the work of religion. He said:

It is with a serious voice and purpose that science says, "Are you hungry? Come unto me and by scientific agriculture I will so multiply the food products of the world that no one need be hungry. Are you thirsty? Come unto me and by scientific measures I will so purify ditch water as to make it as clear, sparkling and healthful as the water of a mountain brook. Are you naked? Come unto me and by cleverly invented machinery I will turn out cloth so cheaply that not the poorest man on earth need go unclothed. Are you sick? Come unto me and by bacteriology, sanitation and scientific study I will banish disease from the earth. If you are in pain I can relieve your pain with an anaesthetic. Are you in prison? Through the scientific application of the principles of criminology and eugenics I can empty all the jails. Are you poor? Let me apply the science of sociology, scientific temperance instruction and the science of eugenics to the problem of poverty and it will no longer be true that we have the poor always with us. Are you one who labors and is heavy laden? By clever invention I can lift the heavy burdens of overworked humanity so that one man by pressing a lever can do the work of 100 men. Come unto me, weary humanity, and I will give you rest. Are you troubled with sin and sorrow? Come and I will establish a kingdom of great comfort for you and show you the inherent nobility of human nature."

Christian Endeavor Rally

The annual Junior Christian Endeavor rally of the Lowell Christian union was held in the Gorham Street Primitive Methodist church Sunday afternoon. Miss Mildred M. McKnight, superintendent of the Lowell union, presided. Words of welcome were given by Mrs. Albert Ingham, superintendent of the entertaining church, and by Walter Chase, president of the Lowell C. E. union. Rev. A. Hesford of the Lawrence Street Primitive Methodist church gave an address. Rev. N. W. Matthews spoke briefly. There were 185 juniors present, and 30 adults, making a total of 215.

The complete program was as follows: Voluntary, orchestra of First Primitive Methodist church; hymn, "Onward, Christian Soldiers"; first psalm, congregation; prayer, Rev. A. Hesford; solo and chorus, Miss MacPherson and Calvary Baptist society; remarks, Walter Chase, president Lowell C. E. union; solo, Arthur Hiley; welcome, Mrs. Albert Ingham, superintendent First P. M. Church society; song, First Baptist society choir; scripture, Emmanuel Baptist society; solo, Arthur Hiley; 23rd psalm, Molly Kirk; song, Lawrence Street Primitive Methodist society; address, Rev. A. Hesford; song, First Primitive Methodist society; roll call, Blanche Libby, junior secretary; remarks, Rev. N. W. Matthews; hymn, congregation; benediction.

THE RABBIT'S FOOT

BY GWEN SEARS

DON'T ALWAYS FACE THE MIRROR

The average woman faces her mirror and fusses over the waves of hair on her forehead, and in her absorption she forgets that not even half of her critics will meet her face to face.

A hat may be completely spoiled by neglecting to watch the side angle, or to take heed that the hair fills all awkward hollows.

Just so with hair itself. Not only is the side view important for the sake of those who view us from one side or the other, but the whole structure of the coiffure of the moment depends upon the profile view.

To have a good profile one must be extremely careful as to the poise of the head. If the head is thrust too far forward it makes the chin too prominent, and if the head settles backward too heavily it gives undue prominence to the throat bone.

Noses, which are the last, but most important part of the profile to consider, are the most difficult members to improve. Noses badly made by nature are distressing, but the fault may be wonderfully improved by massage and the effect also lessened by the proper arrangement of the hair. Watch your profile carefully with the aid of a hand-glass.

SAW STEAMER HIT MINE

BOSTON, Dec. 14.—Officers of the steamer Sagamore, which arrived yesterday from Liverpool, reported that their vessel was running within a short distance of the steamer Manchester, Commerce when the latter struck a German mine off the coast of Ireland and sank.

The steamer Cornelis in port yesterday from Rotterdam was stopped by a British warship in the English channel, but was allowed to proceed.

PRES. HUSTIS SPEAKS

BOSTON, Dec. 14.—President James H. Hustis of the Boston & Maine railroad appealed to employes to be loyal to "our road" at a meeting of the Bay State division, Order of Railway Conductors yesterday.

President Hustis said that the management was trying to deal fairly with the men. He explained that legislation placed certain limits on the compensation of employes, but he thought it possible to conduct a railroad so that it would not be a "football of politics."

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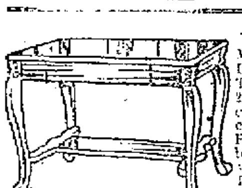

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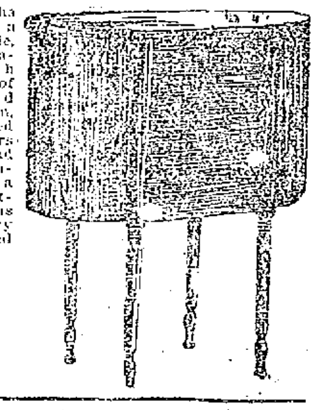

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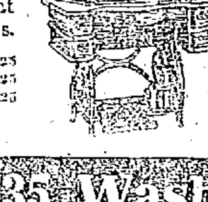

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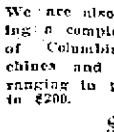

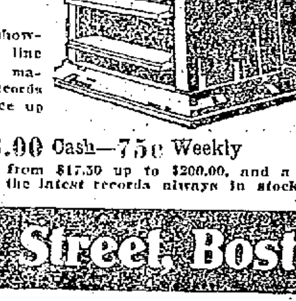

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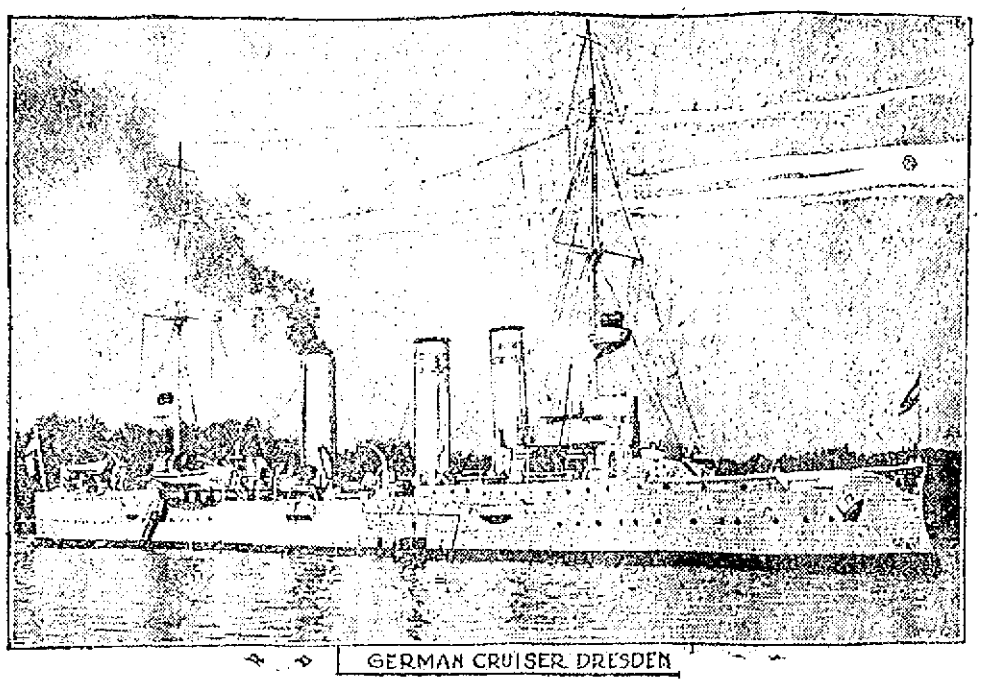
GERMAN CRUISER DRESDEN, WHICH WAS CORNERED WHEN VON SPEE'S FLEET WAS SUNK



GERMAN CRUISER DRESDEN

The light protected cruiser Dresden of the German navy was the only ship of Admiral von Spee's fleet that escaped destruction when the engagement with the English fleet under Vice Admiral Stardee took place off the Falkland islands in the south Atlantic. The Scharnhorst, Gneisenau and Leipzig were sunk first in the fight, and the Nurnberg was chased and destroyed. The Dresden managed to get away, but the English ships at once pursued her and succeeded in bottling her up. The Dresden was built in 1909, with a displacement of 3600 tons, a speed of twenty-four knots and with ten 4.1 inch guns, eight five-pounders, four machine guns and two 17.7 inch submerged torpedo tubes. Her broadside fire is five 4.1 inch guns and four five-pounders. The Dresden carries 321 officers and crew.

HAS INSPIRED CONFIDENCE

Effect of Recent Currency Legislation Highly Beneficial to Business in General

Secretary J. H. Tregoe, of the National Association of Credit Men, in his December letter to officers of affiliated associations, has some very encouraging statements in reference to the effect of the new currency legislation upon business in general:

The business world has few great historical days that it is glad to recall, but last month the corner stone of a vast business institution was laid, which is destined to exert an influence on national and international credits, second to none in the world. If through the Federal Reserve bank, governmental officers and bankers and business men unite unselfishly, patriotically, conservatively, broad-minededly, placing the interest of the country as a whole first and not a section of it, this institution, possessed of universal confidence, will make Nov. 16th a day ever to be remembered gratefully.

On that day a half century old system began to be supplanted by one more nearly meeting modern demands; a system came into being which for the first time in our commercial life gave paper issue through trade transactions, a recognized place as a national asset, and thus made it possible for our banking credits to expand and contract with the legitimate increasing or demanding demands of manufacture and trade.

No one thinks that the federal reserve system is based upon a perfectly drafted law. Its workings must be studied closely by business men and bankers, and the National Association of Credit Men intends, through its banking and currency committee, to study the law carefully and bring the association's influence to bear from time to time, to improve it as occasion clearly demands.

The significant thing from the association standpoint is that banks, members of the federal system, must now do organized credit department work. A quarter of a century ago even reserve city banks did not have organized credit departments, paper being passed upon in directors' meetings, largely upon the reputation of the makers. In the larger cities this condition has been changed in the last few years, but except in the larger cities it has not been customary for commercial banks to have organized credit departments, and the directors' meeting has continued to be the place where credits were made.

Federal Trade Commission

On Sept. 26, 1914, President Wilson placed his signature on the federal trade commission act, whose purpose is to prevent persons, partnerships and corporations (except banks and common carriers subject to the acts to regulate commerce) from using unfair methods of competition, and in general to regulate interstate business as carried on by persons, partnerships and corporations.

The five members of the commission, whose appointment is by the president, are given large powers of investigation and control so that we have had enacted, without noise and with comparatively little discussion among business men, a piece of legislation for the regulation of commerce such that a body of live men will have resting upon them responsibilities and powers upon the wise and fair exercise of which the advancement of our commerce to a large extent depends.

Unrestrained cancellation of orders imposes great hardship, particularly in some lines, and must be met by an enunciation of principles which all will clearly understand and relate to their own interests. A rule of refusing to accept a cancellation, unless upon mutual agreement, would be received by buyers at first with great remonstrance; but such rule promulgated and enforced would make buyers more cautious and give greater respect for contracts,—a result greatly to be desired.

The Business Situation

There is unquestionably a steadily improving feeling in manufacture and trade. In most lines the improvement has taken form in increased inquiries and in many in distinctly better orders. Best grounds for satisfaction are found in noting the signs of improvement in the iron and steel trade where the steady decline in orders and interest seems finally to have given way to better buying. Complaints regarding collections continue to be general, but with better industrial conditions it is fair to expect they will gradually recover normal. The main factor in the situation is that confidence, so badly shattered two months ago is now well restored, and though we can not look for early resumption of normal business in all lines, the demand for staples is assuming big proportions and this tendency will extend itself to other lines.

The Abuse of Sales Terms

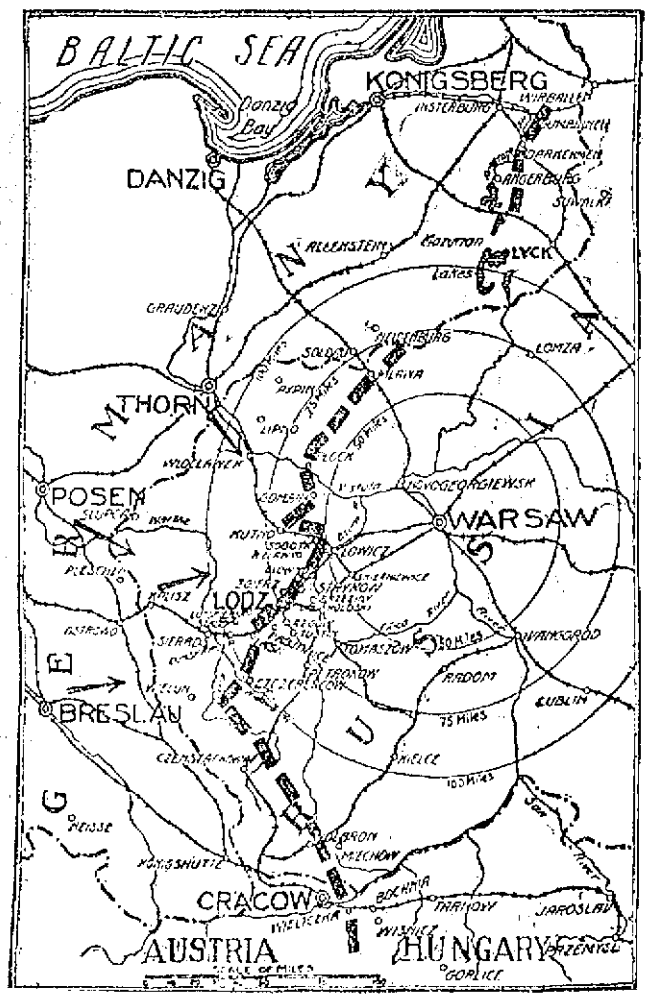
The new discount card is prepared in response to many urgent requests for a concise, direct demand on the part of the association that the abuse of trade terms, and particularly of the cash discount, shall stop. We would like to see every member take part in the great educational campaign of which the card is intended to feature. The price of the card is $1.50 per 500 and $2.50 per 1000, carriage collect.

Foreign Credits Bureau

The proposed establishment of an interchange bureau for foreign credits has already received the approval of those members of our Boston association selling goods in foreign countries, especially in South and Central America, to whom the matter has been presented. Every credit man realizes how difficult it is to get reliable credit information upon merchants thus located.

With proper cooperation on the part of local members, national members, and members of affiliated associations, it is believed that such a bureau could be conducted with protection and profit to all members, materially assisting in developing foreign trade, and eventually becoming one of the important departments of the national association.

MAP SHOWING GERMAN ADVANCE ON WARSAW IN CAMPAIGN OF POLAND



The latest news from Berlin and Petrograd indicates that the Germans have begun a general offensive movement on a line stretching from Mlava, on the East Prussian-Polish frontier, to Cracow, in Galicia, a battle line of about 300 miles when the irregular formation is considered. The Germans occupied Lodz, which is seventy-five miles southwest of Warsaw, and then pushed on toward the capital of Poland. Their right wing stretched along the lower Vistula from Mlava to Plock. Their center held Lowicz, the region of Glowno and Zglerz, Lodz and Szezercow. Their right was formed in front of Czenstachova and Cracow. The irregular blocked line represents the battle line as it existed when the drive from Lodz to Warsaw began. The arrows indicate the direction of German re-enforcements.

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SUEZ CANAL IN THE WAY

Interesting Account of the Great Waterway Connecting Red Sea and the Mediterranean

WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 11.—That the Suez canal, figuring so prominently in the military operations in which Turkey is a party, is not the first canal that joined the Red sea with the Mediterranean, is briefly told in a statement prepared for the press today by the National Geographic society.

"From the morning of history, the west has sought to break into the east by way of Suez. Some time during the years 1550-1300 B. C. the Egyptians, under Seti I and Rameses II, joined the Nile by way of Lake Timsah to the Red Sea, thus opening a waterway, the archetype of the present canal, from the Mediterranean, over the Suez isthmus, to the Orient. This canal was choked by sand in the course of ages. Necho, about 600 B. C., began a canal from ancient Bubastis and Darius Hystaspis, one hundred years later, completed the work, each long being the Red Sea and Nile together. Although nearly choked up by the beginning of the Christian era, it was navigable to a degree as late as the Battle of Actium, and some of Cleopatra's ships escaped this way to the Red Sea.

"Trajan restored the canal. It fell into disuse and choked up again. Amru, the Islamic conqueror of Egypt, restored it for the last time in the 7th century, connecting Cairo with the Red Sea. Napoleon caused the old route to be surveyed, but was forced to drop the project. After him, Metternich, the great reactionary prime minister of Austria-Hungary, stimulated a Suez commission in 1847. Nothing, however, came of it.

"As the world well knows, the Suez canal was built by the man who failed to build the Panama canal—Count Ferdinand de Lesseps. Its original depth was 26¼ feet, and its bottom width 72 feet. It could accommodate ships of 24 7-12 feet, but it was in operation 11 years, beginning in 1869, before vessels of such draft sought passage. By 1890 its depth had been increased 29½ feet, and when the United States announced its intention to make a canal 41 feet deep and 300 feet wide at its narrowest bottom point, at Panama, the work at Suez was extended so as ultimately to give a bottom width of 134½ feet and a depth of 36 1-12 feet. It was expected that this enlargement would be complete by next year, but the war has interrupted operations.

"How much larger than the average demands for a canal the Panama waterway has been made is strikingly shown by a statement from Suez to the effect that only one per cent of the ships seeking passage by that route have a draft of 28 feet.

"In 1869, ten vessels passed through the Suez canal. In 1912, 5373 ships steamed through, of 20,275,120 net tonnage, and paying for this privilege around $25,000,000. Seven out of every ten of these ships flew the British flag. England has dominated the canal ever since the khedive, in 1875, sold his 176,602 canal shares for $20,000,000, to the British government. These shares are now worth close to $200,000,000.

TROLLEY CARS COLLIDE

THREE INJURED IN COLLISION AT CAMBRIDGE—WOMEN TAKEN TO HOSPITAL AND LATER SENT HOME

BOSTON, Dec. 11.—An inward-bound Harvard-square-Dudley street car and an outward-bound Waltham car were in collision at the corner of Massachusetts avenue and Brookline street, Cambridge, last night at 7.30, resulting in injuries to three women passengers. A number of other women fainted. The front vestibule of the Dudley street car was smashed, and four windows on the Waltham car were broken. Traffic was held up for half an hour, and was finally diverted on the inward line to Pearl street, pending the removal of the wrecked cars.

The injured women were taken in the Cambridge police ambulance to the Cambridge Relief hospital. They are: Miss Mary Hennessey, 161 Webster ave., Cambridge; Miss May T. Mahoney, 1298 Commonwealth ave., Allston; Miss Esther Archer, Tremont street, Newton. They were able to go to their homes last night.

Miss Josephine McInnis, 219 Fisher ave., Brookline; Miss Anna McInnis, 2 Butler st., Dorchester and Miss Anna Chaisson, 25 Common street, Belmont, were overcome in the excitement, and were given treatment at a drug store.

The accident happened on the curve at Brookline street. The Waltham car had made a detour from the avenue to Pearl, Green and Brookline streets, and was swinging to Massachusetts avenue when the Dudley street car crashed into it. The Waltham car was without passengers.

The force of the collision lifted the big Waltham car and tilted it but it finally righted itself, although moved from the tracks.

FUR BEARING ANIMALS

WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 11.—Up to the present time experiments in breeding fur bearers have been carried on only with minks and martens. At two stations—Prichard, Idaho, and the National Zoological Park—minks have bred, and the healthy condition of the young animals promises success. The stock of martens was secured too late for the animals to breed this season. In the coming year it is intended to add sarcoons, skunks, and possibly foxes to the list of animals to be included in these experiments.

During the spring an assistant visited New Brunswick, Prince Edward island, and other portions of the eastern British provinces and New England for the purpose of studying the methods in vogue in the region for rearing foxes and other fur bearers. Data on improved methods of raising foxes will soon be published, to bring up to date preliminary information furnished in 1908 in Farmers' Bulletin 328, Silver Fox Farming.

Moleskins have been extensively used in this country during the last few years in making fur garments, and practically all of the supply has been imported from Europe. In the belief that the common mole of eastern United States produces fur of equal value, skins were submitted to professional furriers, who stated that the quality is superior to the foreign product. A report on the economic status of the eastern species was published during the year. The mole inhabiting the northwestern coast is larger than the common eastern species, and a number of these have been collected in order to obtain a report on the quality of the pelt. If the texture of the fur proves to be as good as that of the eastern animal, there is no reason why trappers should not secure a good income by capturing these animals, as the area they inhabit is extensive. In many localities an acre of ground supports as many as a hundred individuals. If this little animal can be profitably trapped for its fur the problem of freeing agricultural areas from it will practically be solved.

Investigations into the economic value of North American skunks resulted in the publication of a Farmers' Bulletin on the subject. It has been found that this animal is one of the most useful of native mammals and a most efficient help to the farmer and the orchardist in their warfare against insect and rodent pests. As a source of fur it is also a commercial asset, the skins netting trappers about $3,000,000 annually. As the skunk is valuable in its activities as well as for its fur, experiments in breeding the animals in captivity are recommended. (Extract from Annual Report of the Bureau of Biological Survey, U. S. Department of Agriculture.)

COLLINS DENIES THAT ANY FRICTION CAUSED HIS SALE BY ATHLETICS

THIS IS COLLINS

Eddie Collins, star second baseman with the Philadelphia Athletics, denies that his sale to the Chicago White Sox was due in any way to friction in the ranks of Connie Mack's players. Ira Thomas, assistant manager, has recently censured Collins severely for writing magazine articles in which he told secrets of the methods by which the Athletics won games. Thomas declared that Collins was so eager to get a few dollars that he sold information that was not his to sell. It seemed certain that, after these strictures, either Thomas or Collins would have to go as they certainly would not work in harmony. While no definite figures have been made public it is understood that the price for Collins' release was $50,000 and that he will get a salary of $15,000 a year for a term of years, with a bonus of $5000 for signing the contract.

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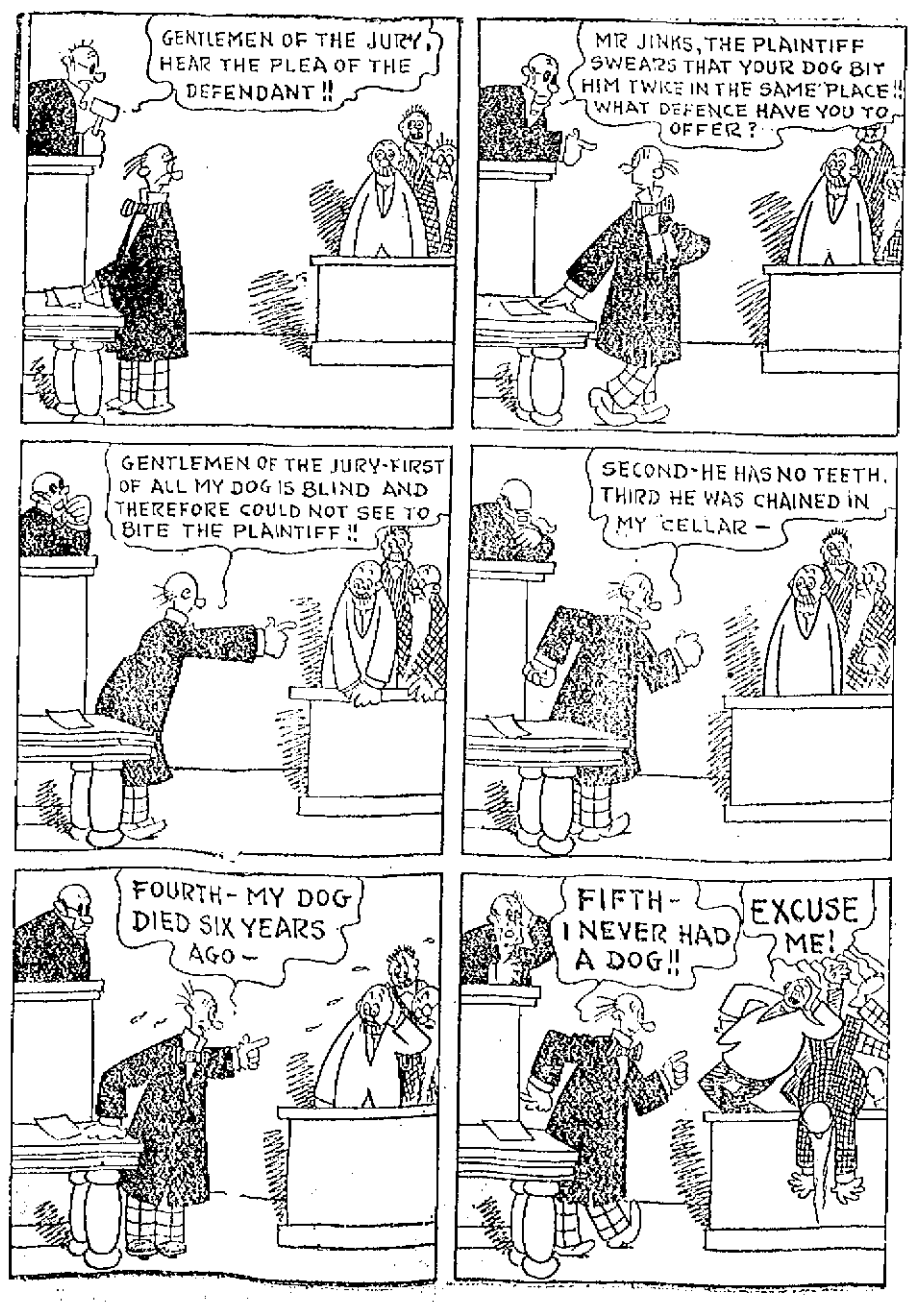

THE SUN IS ON SALE AT THE NORTH STATION BOSTON

If you want help at home or in your business, try The Sun "Want" column.

SHOOTING AT LAWRENCE

UNSOLVED PUZZLE — SPINA SAYS HE PURSUED MAN WHO HELD HIM UP

LAWRENCE, Dec. 14.—The police have not unraveled to their satisfaction the circumstances surrounding Saturday night's shooting in the Italian section at Newbury and Common sts., in which Joseph Marka, who claims 102 Dudley street, Boston, as his home, received a bullet wound in his right arm.

Vencenzo Spina, the Common street storekeeper, who was taken into custody with a revolver in his possession, declares that he was in pursuit of highwaymen, who had held him up on the steps of his home, in the rear of 40 Common street. He said that he fired four shots into the air from a revolver which one of his alleged assailants dropped in attempting to escape, after Spina had aroused the neighborhood by his cries for help.

Policeman O'Brien also joined in the fusillade when he set out to overhaul Marka, but he declares that he fired toward the ground.

The shooting attracted hundreds of persons who, however, kept at a distance from the danger zone until the firing ceased.

Marka's story is to the effect that he was in the alleyway near Spina's home in search of the mother of an acquaintance who lives in Boston. He disclaimed any participation in the holdup and said that he was trying to escape in flight when Spina started shooting.

The police are inclined to discredit both versions of the affair. Spina secured bail pending arraignment in the police court this morning.

SLASHED AND FIRED UPON

ATTLEBORO MAN LOST TWO FINGERS IN AFFRAY—ASSAILANT ESCAPED

MANSFIELD, Dec. 14.—John Calandrella of Attleboro was held up on North Main street last night by a man whom Calandrella says he knows only as Guy, and severely slashed with a knife. Calandrella came to Mansfield to visit Ralph Peluche on Angell street. At 7.30 he started for the railroad station in company with Peluche. The man suddenly appeared before him with a long knife. The Attleboro man put up his hands to ward off the blow and two fingers were severed from his right hand and the hand gouged. The assailant then fired several shots from a revolver at both Calandrella and Peluche, but none took effect. Peluche carried a baby in his arms.

The assailant then made a hurried escape. Chief of Police Nelson and Patrolman Kennedy scoured the North End, but at a late hour had not captured the man.

Calandrella was attended by Dr. Sullivan and later was sent to the Massachusetts General hospital. Blood-poisoning is feared. From the Attleboro man it was learned that he and his assailant had trouble a long time ago over a girl. A John Doe warrant was issued for the arrest of the assailant, who came to Mansfield recently to work on the new reservoir.

The many friends of Arthur Turcotte will be grieved to learn he is confined to his home in Fletcher street with a severe illness.

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FIRING ACROSS BORDER

THREE PERSONS WERE STRUCK BY SHRAPNEL BULLETS AT NACO, ARIZONA, YESTERDAY

NACO, Ari., Dec. 14.—Three persons were struck by spent shrapnel bullets here yesterday, coming from the siege of Naco, Sonora.

The reported order from Provisional President Gutierrez for Gen. Jose Maytorena to cease his attacks if they endangered Americans is still reported "not received."

The men struck were E. H. Kuck and Jose Martinez. Their injuries were not serious. Mrs. Jose Martinez was severely wounded by a bullet, which pierced the wall of her home. Her husband was struck a short time previous.

Maytorena still purposes, it is said, to carry out his plans for a final attack Tuesday. He is, meanwhile, occupying his men with persistent firing from the south, which keeps American Naco in constant danger.

A carload of artillery ammunition was received by Maytorena today, and Hill caused the consumption of some of it by drawing the enemy's fire, while giving his own new 75-millimeter guns, received yesterday, a tryout. The gun practice resulted in placing one shell—which did not explode—squarely in the center of Maytorena's main camp. Maytorena then moved his camp.

Hill reported one man killed.

The reinforced border patrol, under command of Brig. Gen. Tasker H. Bliss, continued preparations for possible action.

GEN. CARRANZA'S REPLY

WASHINGTON, Dec. 14.—Gen. Carranza's reply to the warning from the United States government that force would be used if necessary to stop firing into American territory by belligerent Mexican factions, reached the state department last night. Secretary Bryan said that he did not know the nature of the reply, as the message came in code and had not been deciphered.

In a statement at Vera Cruz Saturday night Carranza declared that if the United States employed force to stop the firing at Naco, "it will be considered an unfriendly act, notwithstanding the friendly motives clouking the act."

RELIEF SHIP AT ROTTERDAM

AMSTERDAM, Dec. 14.—The Norwegian steamer Oldenburg, laden with foodstuffs, for the Belgians arrived at Rotterdam today from New York.

STEAMER ARRIVES

NEW YORK, Dec. 14.—Arrived steamer Patria from Marseilles.

CARD OF THANKS

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The Winning of Barbara Worth
The Awakening of Helena Richie.
From the Valley of the Missing.
The Common Law.
Janet of the Dunes.
From the Car Behind.
Halcyon.
The Reason Why.
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Burning Daylight.
Frau.
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Call of the North.
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Tape Needles....15c and 25c
Match Boxes.....$2.00
Match Holders.....$1.00
Vanities.....$6.75 and $7.00
Smelling Salts.....59c
Knives.....50c
Pencils.....50c
Tape Measures.....50c
Needle Cases.....35c
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Stilettos.....25c
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Manicure Sets...59c to $1.25

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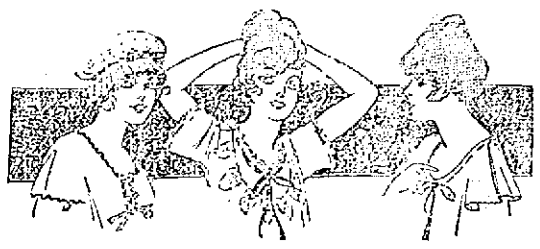

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WHAT THE FRENCH MAID SAID

MARIE WARNS ABOUT THE HOLIDAY RUSH

"Sh-sh," warned Marie with her finger to her lips, as Marjorie entered the boudoir. "We will go out into the sewing room and talk. Your aunt is asleep, and must not be disturbed."

"I am awfully tired!" sighed Marjorie sinking into the cosy corner and snuggling a yellow cushion. "Auntie is a terrible shopper, and I thought I would never live to tell the story."

"Madame has not yet recovered from her overexertion of yesterday, and truly you do not look as rested as usual. Did you sleep well last night?"

"No, not very. My nerves seemed to be all to pieces. I never saw such a crowd in my life, and the stores were so hot!"

"That is all the good it does to tell people to shop early," smiled Marie.

"In the first place one should systemize their shopping tours. If you were to make out a list of all the presents you are to give and then start the next morning with a good salt bath, a substantial breakfast, comfortable shoes and low collar you would be able to endure the torture to follow more comfortably."

"Yes, and I began to feel dizzy by two o'clock and I was dressed comfortably, ... too."

"Ah, but you had not eaten your luncheon, ... knowing?"

"Why, yes, we did not bother about lunch. We kept on shopping until four-thirty and then we had tea," said Marjorie.

"Well, that explains your headache and fatigue. You ate breakfast at seven o'clock, and your stomach was without nourishment for over nine hours. Of course you would feel dizzy."

"Yes, and not only that, but I went to the theatre last night, and oh dear I feel almost dead." Marjorie turned her back on the whole scene and indulged in a little weeping.

"I will get you a nice hot cup of tea, and you shall lie and rest this afternoon," said Marie, going to the 'phone which connected with the kitchen.

"And do remember next time to come home and get into your negligee, take your hair down, darken the room and simply rest and relax. Then when you decide to get up a hot bath and fresh clothing will be refreshing to your addled brain and over-wrought body."

LADY LOOKABOUT

I am filled with what I consider justifiable indignation every time I see freshly made graves despoiled of their flowers, not by vandals as one would naturally suppose when he learns of such an occurrence, but by our local florists. I do not know if the practice is common to all our florists, but enough of them are represented to make me think nearly all are guilty of this desecration. Invariably, within two or three days of a funeral, the grave is robbed of its floral pieces, that the florists who made them up may secure the wire frames on which they were built. These men have been paid once for these wire frames, and I think it is poor business for them to rifle a grave of the offerings of love and friendship made to the departed that they may again use them and again take money for them. It does not pay in any business to be so grasping. It would be an act of much greater thoughtfulness and kindness on the part of the florists to wait until the family of the departed had paid their first visit to the grave, than to plunder it before the flowers had withered. Better still, if they would include in the cost of the piece a charge for the wire frame if they have not really done so, in order that when it passed from their hands it also passed from their possession.

Even the Horses Were Skating

It must have been a heartless man indeed who stopped his horse directly on the car track, the only safe place in the street, last Wednesday morning. It was a fish-man who did it, and every vehicle going his way had to make a ... detour to get around him. When his own horse is slipping and sliding all over the street, anybody would think he would show some consideration towards others whose horses were in the same plight, but consideration for anybody under such circumstances is a rare bird.

Use of School Buildings

Year after year, I have heard candidates for school committee holding forth about the thousands and thousands of dollars of public money tied up in the buildings which are in use only five hours a day. They would open these buildings to the public. For their benefit and for the benefit of their friends I would like to inform them, if indeed they do not already know it, that among the measures enacted by the legislature of 1911, is one under Chapter 558 which authorizes the school committees to allow the use of school property for other than school purposes if deemed for the interest of the community. I know they will be glad to hear this as it opens an opportunity to start something which heretofore has been made to appear almost an impossibility.

Early Christmas Shopping

If volumes were to be written about early Christmas shopping, I do not believe it ever will become the fashion. It is very fine in theory, but it is a different matter in practice. Who can think of Christmas when the air is mild and one's furs seem heavy, and when the store windows are filled with sensible things like warm underwear and thick-soled boots? I know I cannot. I cannot shop for Christmas unless I hear the tinkle of sleighbells in the air, and the crunch of snow under foot, or feel the nip of frost on nose and ears. I want to see icicles and Christmas greens and reds, ribbon candy and canes,—then I know Christmas is near, and even though it be the last day, I can shop with happiness and zest. I can go supperless almost without knowing it, and when I return home, tired, late, cold, hungry, heavy of foot, light of purse, and loaded with half undone parcels, it is with a sort of holy joy wholly unknown to the one who shops early.

The Juvenile Law

The police authorities in enforcing the juvenile law are making a praiseworthy effort to save our young boys and girls, who through inexperience or acting at the suggestion of older and more cunning companions commit crime. The purpose of the law is to consider the youthful offender a delinquent rather than a criminal—that the charge against him may be one of remission of duty rather than besmirch his name and reputation with a police court record. The kindness of the juvenile law is not appreciated. Our boys and girls should be taught that the man or woman with a police court record can never hold a civil service position. Other walks in life also are closed to him, no matter how innocently he may have fallen among evil ways and companions. The juvenile law was framed for the purpose of protecting from this stigma those of tender years, and should not be considered license to commit crime. It is too bad the law is proving unsatisfactory to the public. It may be due to misunderstanding, but it would seem that the law has been in operation long enough to have overcome all possible misunderstandings. A little more cooperation between all parties concerned—parents, delinquents and authorities, should adjust the difficulties. Let us think long and well before we advocate a change which will open the door to the detriment of our children who are ...

LADY LOOKABOUT.

OF INTEREST TO WOMEN

Philadelphia has two women millers.

Women hotel dealers in New York city number over 7000.

Several women are employed on the Swedish railways.

Three-quarters of the 60,000 dressmakers in London are idle.

In spite of strong opposition, Miss ... has been elected superintendent of the poor in Jersey City.

... among the 125 ... who are furnishing blood for ... wounded soldiers in the ... hospital.

New York has a woman watchman, Miss Ethel Ryan, who guards the district frequented by produce men.

San Francisco is to have a women's hotel ... on the same lines as the ... hotel in New York city.

Mrs. Florence P. Rossing, New York's only automobile broker, claims that it is no business for a woman to take up as a livelihood.

Mrs. Laura A. Lasater, clerk of the district court in Pittsburgh, Kan., has been expelled from office because she ... too much.

The National Union of Women's Suffrage Association of Canada is conducting a campaign for ... mothers as a result of the war.

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NEW CREATIONS FOR EVENING GOWNS WITH LACE FLOUNCES OVER NARROW FOUNDATION

It would be hard to find a prettier gown than this one for afternoon dances and all occasions of the kind. The lace flounces that are arranged over a narrow foundation are charmingly attractive in effect and the basque of velvet makes a really beautiful contrast. The collar that is high at the back, suggestive of the military idea, yet with open front makes one of the features of the winter. Women on the outlook for a really available handsome costume can not do better than follow this design. There is nothing difficult about it since the flounces are easy to sew on the skirt and the little basque is slightly full at the front so that the fitting means no difficulty. With the lace flounces, the elbow sleeves finished with frills are charming but the long sleeves are fashionable and these can be made in that way, or, if liked, the basque can be used over a skirt of quite different character. Draped skirts continue to be fashionable and accordion plaited skirts are much liked. Either one or the other with the basque would be pretty or, if the lace flouncings are too elaborate for the occasion, the same idea could be carried out in net or in chiffon or in thin silk such as crepe de chine or crepe meteore.

For the medium size, the basque will require 2 yards of material 27, 1 5-8 yards 36 or 44 inches wide, with 1-4 yard 36 inches wide for the chemisette, 1 1-2 yards of lace for the sleeve frills; the skirt 2 5-8 yards 27 or 36 inches wide, with 13 yards of lace 9 inches wide or 5 1-2 yards of material 27, 3 1-2 yards 36, 3 yards 44 inches wide for the flounces.

Draperies are always pretty for evening gowns and are being much used this season. This gown combines a very beautiful silk crepe that is a little heavier than crepe de chine with velvet and is trimmed with lace. The bodice shows the very newest development of the basque idea and the gown is altogether one of the prettiest as well as most fashionable that could be suggested. It takes the most graceful lines and since the skirt can be made with or without the train, it is adapted to the dance as well as to the opera and to dinner. The little trimming that finishes the neck edge is of tulle but the buttons are exceedingly handsome, being of cut crystal and buttons this season make really important trimmings.

This basque that drapes the figure is an exceedingly becoming one to young girls and to women of girlish figures. It is by no means severe in effect yet it gives the prevailing lines. The frock illustrated shows it combined with a tunic of silk and wool crepe over a skirt of charmeuse satin and the sash is just a straight strip of silk. The crepe that is delightfully soft and pliable is really ideal for the full basque but there are various other materials that provide the same quality and anything that will drape the figure successfully is appropriate. Charmeuse satin could be used over a skirt of broadcloth and with broadcloth trimmings.

There is no handsomer combination of materials than lace and velvet and this season there is none more fashionable. Here is an exceedingly attractive gown, handsome enough and dressy enough for any afternoon occasion, and also suited to the hotel dinner and to the theatre. There is a plain two-piece skirt with two wide tucks over the hips and a graceful blouse with draped chemisette. The skirt is made of charmeuse satin and finished with velvet at the lower edge, while lace flouncing is arranged under the lower tuck. The blouse is very simple but exceedingly effective and especially adapted to lace. The trimming of skunk fur gives a smart note of character. Black and white is always distinctive always handsome, just now it is the height of style, but if, for any reason, color is preferred, brown or sand-colored velvet or something in brighter tone could be used in place of the black, while the fur still remains the same, for skunk is always handsome on lace and harmonizes with every color. Incidentally it might be well to add that this design treated in a more simple way is adapted to every day occasions. If the skirt were made without the lace and without the velvet it would be just the simplest one available and an entire gown of wool or silk crepe would be useful for many occasions.

For the medium size, the blouse will require 1 1-4 yds. of material 27 in. wide; 1 3-4 yds. 36, 1 5-8 yds. 44 in. wide with 2 1-2 yds. of fur banding, 5-8 yd net for inner portion, 1 yd. of lace for the sleeves; the skirt 5 yds. 27 in. wide; 3 1-2 yds. 36 or 44 with 1 1-8 yds. of flouncing 18 in. deep and 1 yd. 27 in. wide for the band.

Velvet, velveteen and materials of similar weight are extremely fashionable this winter and exceedingly

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WHAT THE COOK SAYS

Cook told me this morning how to properly oil a floor, so I pass it on to you. The floor must be allowed to dry after it is scrubbed. Then mix two parts of linseed oil with one part of turpentine and apply this to every part of the floor with a soft cloth.

Rub the oil into the boards, and then rub them thoroughly with a woolen cloth. If the boards are new they can be treated with linseed oil, boiled and hot, applied with a paint brush.

After the oil has stood on the floor for an hour or so it should be well rubbed with a woolen cloth, until the floor no longer looks sticky and oily.

Before using new granite pans, cook says to grease the inside with butter. This will prevent them from chipping and cracking afterward.

To remove the stains from fireproof dishes which have become brown from baking, soak them in strong borax and water.

To keep pots and pans bright, dip each article in strong lye or soft soap, then scour with common sifted coal ashes.

A thick paste made of soda and water is excellent for cleaning glasses in which milk, ice cream or other greasy substance has been standing, cook tells me.

Even when there is no time to make a paste, if the fingers are dipped in water, then in dry soda, and the greasy part of the glass is rubbed around with them the marks will quickly disappear and the glass become bright.

Lamp chimneys treated in the same way will shine like crystal, while if a lamp burner is boiled for half an hour in soda water it will cause the lamp to burn with renewed brilliancy.

When it is necessary to boil a cracked egg, cook says to add a little vinegar to the water. This will prevent the white from boiling out.

An egg that has been too lightly boiled may be put into the saucepan again, even after the top has been taken off, if an ordinary pin be dropped into it in a conspicuous place, when it will be found that none of the egg has been lost.

Care should be taken to remove the pin.

If your vegetables or preserves scorch while cooking, advises cook, remove the vessel instantly from the range and set it in a pan of cold water, letting it remain there for 10 or 15 minutes. At the end of that time you will find that the scorched taste has all vanished from the food.

When cooking cabbage, turnips or onions, boil at same time some vinegar with few spices. This will destroy all vegetable odor.

When boiling a ham, leave it in the water in which it has been boiled until it is quite cold. This will make it juicy and tender.

To clean the nickel on a range or other stove, cook finds the most satisfactory results obtained by rubbing it with a cloth, moistened in equal parts of turpentine and vinegar, and then polishing with newspaper.

This will cut all grease which so often collects on cooking stoves.

Paint your gas stove with silver enamel paint twice a year, she says. This keeps it in good condition, saves blacking, and you will not soil the daintiest dress around it.

WHAT HORTENSE TOLD ME

Hortense has given me one of the most delightful creams to use on the face. She calls it Orange Blossoms and it surely is as wonderful as its name. It will soften and whiten the face, and is also good for massaging. It is not as greasy as most creams. You can prepare it as follows:

Spermaceti, six drams; oil of sweet almonds, four ounces; white wax, six drams; glycerin, one and one-half ounces; borax, two drams; orange flower water, two ounces; oil of petitgrain, fifteen drops; oil of neroli, fifteen drops; oil of bigarade (orange skin), fifteen drops.

Warm the spermaceti, wax and almond oil in a double boiler until they become creamy; then add the glycerin to the orange flower water and let the borax dissolve in this. Pour this mixture into the first one, stirring constantly. Just before the cream congeals, pour in the perfumed neroli drop by drop.

Hortense says to keep it clean, the face requires one thorough washing daily with warm water, an agreeable soap and wash cloth or soft flesh brush. This treatment is best given at night. In the morning, then, it is not necessary to use soap on the face. Warm water and then cold will be sufficient to freshen one.

There are many, she says, who cannot use soap. The best thing to do is to use a bran bag instead. When the face is in need of a thorough cleansing, after a trip in the train, for instance, a cold cream bath will remove the dirt and the bran cloth will finish the work in a satisfactory way.

To make a bran bag mix equal quantities of powdered oatmeal and bran together, and to a pint add one-half cup of powdered soap. To this add about one ounce of powdered orris root. Fill small bags and use in the bath.

One of the worst disfigurements that women fall heir to is the growth of superfluous hair on the upper lip. Hortense thinks many and varied are the remedies suggested, but such should be followed with the greatest discrimination and judgment.

An excellent cure, she suggests, as follows: Moisten the superfluous hairs with simple sulfo solution. It will be found that this application will dissolve the hair, and, whether heavy or light, it will disappear in a few moments.

Most depilatories are apt to leave a red spot and an extreme irritation of the skin, but this particular remedy will leave the skin soft, smooth and clear. Its action is gentle and most effective in immediately removing the hair.

The thin girl is popular this winter, but Hortense thinks that even thin girls must be a little plump and not all bones. The first step towards this little plumpness is to avoid nerves, fretting and irritability. Retire early and remain in bed as long as possible.

Drink no tea or coffee, rather milk, cocoa or chocolate. Take mashed potatoes with butter, or cream, oatmeal, fresh bread, honey, eggs, tapioca: in short, all sugary and oily foods. No meat. Take great care to eat slowly and masticate each morsel thoroughly.

A nap either before or after dinner is beneficial. Exercise must be regular and moderate. Horseback riding, tennis and boating are good. Vocal exercises enlarge the chest. Small doses of cod liver oil should be taken several times a day.

Few people pay the proper amount of attention to their feet. Hortense tells me they require fully as much, if not more, attention than the hands. First and most emphatically bathe them every day. This rule goes without exception. The foot bath should consist of hot water and a few drops of toilet (or even household) ammonia.

Take good care to file down the nails, and push back the cuticle on the toes just as the manicurist does. Otherwise a serious and painful "ingrown toenail" may follow.

If the feet are given to excessive perspiration powder lightly every morning and night with pulverized alum. Callous spots from walking, dancing, etc., may be removed by soaking in hot water and rubbing with pumice-stone.

No one can help feeling so at time in this age of rush and racket, but it is quite possible to put on the brake, as it were, and not let the nerves run away with us. Here are a few wise hints on the subject from Hortense:

If people fret you, it is not necessary to be rude to them. Try, instead, to avoid them. Don't read books that irritate you. Books are plentiful, therefore put away the offending volume and choose another. If a noise at night worries you, don't let it continue to do so. Get up and see to the matter, and put it right.

Don't let yourself get into the habit of being bored. It is not worth while. When you feel it coming on, plunge at once into some task that will take all your time and energy.

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handsome, but unquestionably they are a little heavy for the making of blouses. Consequently, this costume which combines velvet with charmeuse satin is exceedingly practical as well as an exceedingly smart one. The skirt is in two pieces, and the back may be left plain or trimmed with circular ruffles. The blouse tells its own story, and is made with regulation sleeves, while the chemisette portion can be either of the same or contrasting material. Here the velvet is black and the charmeuse is white and black and white is much worn, but it would be easier to make the pretty effect by using brown or sand color for the velvet with either a white blouse or one of matching color; or, in place of the charmeuse could be used crepe de chine or crepe meteore, for these materials are pretty and fashionable and in every way adapted to such purposes. If a very handsome effect is wanted, velvet in brown or sand-colored velvet with blouse of faille to match could be used to make a very smart gown, since both the colors and the materials are much exploited.

For the medium size, the blouse will require 3 1-2 yds. of material 27 in. wide, 2 1-2 yds. 36, 2 yds. 44, 5-8 yd. 36 for the vest and collar and cuffs, 40 yds. for banding. For the skirt, 4 1-2 yds. 27 in. wide, 4 3-4 yds. 36 or 44 in. wide, with 1 5-8 yds. of fur banding.

The cape always makes a convenient wrap and this season it is exceedingly smart. Here is a graceful and becoming one that can be made with straight front edges or in cutaway effect and which as shown is made of broadcloth with trimming of fur. Unquestionably broadcloth is a fashionable material and always a pretty one as well as serviceable one but silks are greatly in vogue this season and velvets are and there are many varieties of both to be found. Moire poplin is much liked for wraps, brocaded velvets and brocaded silk are really sumptuous in effect and plain charmeuse satin is beautiful while any of these materials can be interlined to provide sufficient warmth. Among extremely rich and handsome materials are brocaded silks enriched with metal threads but, after all, broadcloth is pretty enough if the color is well chosen. This season plain tinges of pretty harmonizing but light colors are liked for fancy materials, but plain materials are enriched by brocaded linings.

The cape will require 4 yds. of material 36 or 44 in. wide, 2 5-8 yds. 52, with 8 yds. of fur banding.

Nothing makes a more interesting feature of the winter than the very great variety of the furs worn. The little chipmunk is the latest addition to the available list and the exceedingly smart suits are trimmed with his skin or with imitation thereof.

Princess slips for wear beneath evening gowns are among the necessities of the complete wardrobe. The new ones are very charming, made of soft crepe de chine with accordion plaited skirts and under bodices that are trimmed with insets of wide lace near the upper straight edges and are held over the shoulders by ribbon bands.

The sudden demand for high collars and chokers of one sort and another has brought about the making of a great many attractive novelties. Now there are to be found pretty little bands of black tulle over white, plaited and finished with bands of velvet ribbon through the center and these bands held in place by means of cut silver knobs.

Pearls are always so exquisite and so particularly beautiful with evening dress that the introduction of cultivated pearls that have much of the beauty of the rarest gems yet of much less cost cannot fail to be of interest. As we all know, the pearl really represents the effort of the bivalve to cast out of its shell a grain of sand which is covered with a solution in the futile attempt. In the eastern waters they are planting beds of these same bi-valves and introducing in the shells tiny little bits of suitable material with the direct intention of forcing the creatures to create pearls to order, so to speak. Since the introduced object is bigger than the grain of sand, the cultivated pearl is a trifle less perfect and is apt to be flat on the under side, but it is wonderfully beautiful nevertheless, and of various sorts at prices that bring it within the reach of modest incomes.

No feature of the new blouses is more interesting than the collars. A pretty model and one which is much liked is made of fine Georgette crepe with the front embroidered by hand. The neck forms just a small V between the blouse and the turned-over collar, the ends of which meet at the front leaving the neck open for a few inches below.

Lace of all kinds is being worn this season, and the lovely Spanish lace is shown in characteristic and really fascinating scarfs. They are carried to the opera, to the theatre and used whenever a scarf of genuine, or slight warmth is needed.

There is a veritable craze for beads just now and a great many beautiful gowns are trimmed with beads applied over a stamped design. The work is very easy to do and is exceedingly effective, so it has much to commend it. Round beads and small bugles, both are used for the purpose and sometimes one color is used throughout and sometimes a combination of colors. Care must be taken not to stamp the material for the beads do not make a continuous line. The best method is to stamp on tissue paper and to paste over the material.

There are also beautiful garnitures offered ready to wear that are really practical. Fascinating coats and even little capes are shown in attractive, and the vari-colored beads that are beautiful and so much used just now, and in fact, beads are so generally exploited just now that they are to be found given over to many uses. Entire tunnade robes are offered made of thin nets completely covered with iridescent beads to produce a most brilliant and scintillating effect.

If you want help at home or in your business, try The Sun "Want" column.

OF INTEREST TO WOMEN

Malwatchin, on the borders of Russia, in Asia, is womanless.

Over 100,000 women in Kentucky are unable to read or write.

Queen Victoria of Spain spends over $40,000 a year for costumes.

Most of the sculpture work at the Panama exposition is being done by women.

Woman suffrage has been indorsed by the New York State Federation of Women's Clubs.

Brazilian women of wealth regard shopping as undignified and send a servant for samples.

There are over 1600 Chinese females and over 3000 Japanese women in the United States.

Fifty per cent of the female workers in the United States are under 21 years of age.

Among the over 4500 applicants for positions in New York city last week there were 573 women.

Unemployment caused by the war increases among women in London at the rate of 1000 a week.

Teachers in the public schools of New York city must be over 45 years of age to marry and continue in their positions.

The bundesrath of Germany has decided to furnish financial and medical assistance to women at the time of childbirth.

Mrs. F. E. Lowrey has sailed for Liberia, where she will take a trip into the wilds of Darkest Africa, taking moving pictures as she goes.

Miss Miriam Van Waters, who is superintendent of the Detention Home in Portland, Ore., has three college degrees.

Miss Margaret Foley is again back in Boston to pursue her work of gaining better legislation for women and children in Massachusetts.

Lady Jellico, wife of the head of the British navy, has established a temporary hall for women in the Hammersmith road section of London.

Mrs. Charles S. Whitman, wife of the governor-elect in New York, is an ardent suffragist and is doing all she can to assist in its educational propaganda.

The State Grange Patrons of Husbandry will ask the next legislature in New Jersey to appropriate $50,000 to erect and support a state college for women.

Several hundred women of southern birth in Washington have seceded from the Congressional union because they claim that it is an undignified organization.

Mrs. J. H. Blondin, formerly Miss Mae Cochran of New York, has been elected county tax collector in Glen County, Cal., at a salary of $1500 a year.

Since the women of Norway now have equal rights with men they have dissolved the Society for Suffrage of Women, there being no reason for its activities.

Mrs. Arthur M. Dodge, president of the National Association Opposed to Woman Suffrage, claims that only one per cent of the women in the United States are suffragists.

In China the Easter bonnet is unknown and the nearest approach to a hat is the high headdress of the Manchu woman, who must be married in order to boast this adornment.

Mrs. Elizabeth Blaker is now serving as the town crier at Chertsey, England, while her husband, the holder of the post, is at the front. This is the first time that a woman has acted in this capacity.

Young girls have been advised to keep away from Chicago by a woman's organization of that city, which has issued circulars telling of the perils that a girl must contend with in the Windy City.

The Duchess of Marlborough has fortified her London home against Zeppelin attacks by having a stout wire netting stretched across the roof of her house at the height of several feet.

Mrs. Anna T. Steinauer will probably be Boston's first policewoman as Mayor Curley has declared that he will find a way to appoint her to the police force despite the fact that he has no authority under the law.

Many thousands of women are employed by the British government as telegraphic and telephone operators, both systems now being owned and worked by the government. These women are paid from $6.75 to $13 per week.

The only woman in the United States to wear the cross of the Legion of Honor is Mrs. S. P. R. Dugmore of Great Neck, L. I., who was Mrs. Brainhall Gilbert before her marriage to Captain Dugmore of the British army.

Gov.-elect Whitman of New York will receive a delegation of suffragists, who will advise him as to the nature of the message regarding woman suffrage which he will first give to the legislature.

Mrs. Barbara Schunemann is skipper of the ship that will bring Chicago its supply of Christmas trees this year. Mrs. Schunemann has chartered the schooner Lucky and with her two daughters will bring a cargo of 20,000 trees.

In order that larger contributions can be made for the relief of the suffering both at home and abroad, 31 girls who will make their debut in Baltimore society shortly have agreed to refrain from extravagance in entertainments.

Miss Lillian Scott has been elected president of the Kansas State Teachers association, and it is the first time in 52 years' history of the association that a woman has been so honored. Miss Scott has been head of the department of pedagogy in Baker university since 1894.

SUN FEATURES TUESDAY

Old Timer, Automobile Page, The Workbag, The Sickabed Lady, French Maid, Rabbit's Foot, Sleepytime Tales

The Old Timer will continue to relate the social, political and general events of quarter of a century ago.

Perhaps some fortunate ones will receive automobiles for Christmas presents. Such a gift would be most acceptable, of course. The Sun's automobile page will be published tomorrow and will be of interest to owners, and prospective owners. Read the auto news and the auto ads.

Directions for removing foreign matter from the eyes, for the treatment of a sty, will be found in "The Sickabed Lady" in tomorrow's Sun. This article will also describe methods of obtaining relief from ingrowing toenails, for a sore chest, and will tell how to get rid of warts.

Little useful novelties which may be made either for one's own use or to be given to friends for Christmas are described in "The Lady's Workbag."

There are many ways for the woman of today to remain young, according to the writer of "The Rabbit's Foot," and these will be told in this article tomorrow.

Little readers of The Sun will enjoy "The Man and Dandy," a pleasing sleepytime story which will be printed tomorrow.

How some attractive negligee dainties may be made will be told by "The French Maid" tomorrow.

WINTER COSTUMES—GARMENTS OF GRACE AND SIMPLICITY—NEW MODELS COMING FROM FRANCE

Thanksgiving passed and over the winter seems fairly to have begun, all sorts of holiday thoughts are in the air, and holiday plans are sure to be in process of making. While it is likely that this year will see a little less luxury and a little less extravagance than usual, Christmas promises a gay season and little by little we are getting back to a normal condition and a rational appreciation of matters as they stand. Undoubtedly the holiday trade will do its part toward re-establishing a normal attitude, and in every way there is evidence to be found of that return to confidence which means ultimately good times. In matters sartorial, the great question appears to be from whence will come the new designs? But since we are learning rapidly that we can create for ourselves, that bugbear is being rapidly laid to rest. Among the manufacturers there is indeed evidence of good already growing out of the strain, for they are holding exhibitions and meetings that tend toward harmony and co-operation rather than cut-throat rivalry. Once we reach that stage, we will have taken a big step toward real success. One of the important facts to be remembered in connection with Parisian designs is the absolute integrity with which they are treated and the respect that one designer shows for the other. When we have learned to respect designs, we respect other property, the road to success will have been made a smoother one.

If we need encouragement along the lines of home products the stage stands ready to supply it. A well-known actress, now playing in a successful role, stated in an interview within the last few days that her costumes have been made in this country throughout her entire career, that even when she has gone abroad to produce a play, she has taken her costumes with her, and her statement should stand for a great deal. There is no exponent of fashion more conspicuous today than the stage. If once it is known and realized that actresses are ready to employ home skill, a big battle will have been fought and won. That home talent always has been recognized by the women who travel most, who are most in contrast with the best on the other side, is true and has been true. There are individuals prominent in social life who prefer American evening gowns to any that can be bought abroad, and there are numberless women of great wealth who realize the skill that is to be found within our shores, but they are individuals and influence only an individual circle. The actress reaches the entire public, and her approval consequently is of consummate value. A successful singer now playing important roles on the vaudeville stage wears only American costumes. Within the week she appeared in a long coat of green velvet, trimmed with wonderful mink, that could not be more graceful or more becoming were it heralded by the greatest name known to the Parisian world. It has simple lines, with a straight body portion, and flaring skirt that completely covers the gown. It is opened in the form of a V in the neck, and is finished with a fur collar that meets a deep girdle. It is made with long, plain sleeves that are edged with deep cuffs of fur, and there is a wide mink band around the skirt. The front edges are lapped and buttoned together with their entire length, with buttons covered with velvet. The close-fitting little toque is of mink with a little stick-up of ostrich in the front and on the back. There is grace and there is dignity in every line of the garment and the simplicity is perfectly adapted to the rich and beautiful material.

An evening gown that is worn by the same player, is all of black net with trimming of jet. It consists of a cutrass-like basque, that is cut straight across close under the arms, and that extends below the hip lines. This basque consists of succession of wide tucks or folds, each over-lapping the other, arranged over a foundation of thin pliable silk. Below is a full gathered skirt, of the net, finished with three bands of beautiful jet trimming. The basque is belted at the upper edge by straps of jet, and there is a cape of the net that hangs over the shoulder, and over the gown at the back, the point just reaching the uppermost row of trimming. This cape is edged with jet and held by a band of the trimming that passes round the neck and is crossed over the shoulder straps to give a most unusual effect. With the gown are worn black lace stockings, black satin slippers with small shine stone buckles and a small necklace with a diamond pendant, and a bracelet of the same brilliant gems. While it will be seen from the description that the general trend of the season has been followed in both costumes, there is a distinctive note of personality and originality that means real charm. In the sense of terror that seemed to seize upon the world of dress for a short time after the war was declared there existed really more of superstition than of fact. We are getting and will get a fair number of models from abroad, and we will always learn much from what France has to offer, but we also are able to adapt for our own needs. We do not want anything that is distinctively our own.

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KEEP POLITICS OUT

The framers of the Lowell city charter had a definite object in mind when they decided that elections for municipal officers should be non-partisan. They realized very well that mayors, councilmen and aldermen under the old system of government played politics in many cases as much after election as before election, and made no apology for so doing. The party tag took the person out of many an undesirable move and the political affiliation of a candidate for any position in the power of the municipal heads to bestow, coupled with his strength in that particular party, covered a multitude of defects. If a man was to be selected to any department or if any favor were to be granted officially, the influence of the selection on the political future of those granting the favor was the primary consideration.

We have grown away from this so far as our charter is concerned, but have we changed the spirit in the change of form? It is to be feared that we have not entirely eliminated party politics from the administration of our affairs. During campaigns the terms "democrat" and "republican" are heard quite freely and efforts are often made even by the candidates themselves to divide the electorate on such lines. This is against the spirit of our charter and hence to be avoided if the charter is to be properly applied. A non-partisan election should be non-partisan in more than name, and the non-partisan principle should actuate those elected in all their official actions. If they disregard this obvious principle, they injure the city's future and they pile up a great deal of trouble for themselves, individually and collectively.

If the non-partisan clause of the charter should be binding on the electorate, still more so should it be on our municipal heads in all their public actions. Nobody in this city is blind to the fact that not so very long ago certain moves were made at city hall from purely political motives. Certain mutual concessions were agreed on early in the administration, and the public could prognosticate the attitude of some officials on certain specific questions affecting the public welfare—knowing that an arrangement, direct or indirect, existed among certain groups of our officials. This was very undesirable but it was also very real.

There is always the danger, however, that to attain some present advantage, municipal heads will choose a course that their better self stamps as being against the charter and the public interest. Political expediency is not troubled much, unfortunately, with high idealism. Occasionally, to get a certain vote or to propitiate a certain group in the body politic, officials will hide behind the mask of political insincerity and endeavor to fool the public. They may succeed once or twice, but, in the end, politicians fool themselves when they think they are making a profound impression with their political strategy.

Let us have a business administration, fair, open and efficient, both in the school board and at city hall. Rarely has the city been confronted with more serious questions. There is not a municipal department that does not call for extraordinary activity, to meet which will tax the best efforts of our commissioners and school committee members. The things that await action cannot be done by a play of politics. The city needs individual activity and courage in its officials. Let us then have an open and business-like administration that every good citizen can approve and commend.

TRUST FUNDS VOTED AWAY

City Treasurer Stiles in a statement to The Sun has satisfactorily explained the disappearance of the Tyler and Thomas Nesmith trust funds long before he became treasurer, in fact almost immediately after the funds were accepted by the city. One of $26,000 was voted away by the city council in 1871 and another of $10,000 in 1878, while neither has ever been replaced.

The present generation, knowing nothing of this transaction, supposed the money was merged with other funds in the general treasury and used for the ordinary expenses of the city as was the Huntington hill insurance money without any special authorization by the city council. That is why it seemed necessary to find when and for what purpose the money was spent before proceeding to replace it by a loan. Now that the expenditure of these funds is fully explained by the city treasurer, there is nothing left for the municipal council but to borrow $36,000 to replace the funds which should then be segregated and put beyond reach of any future city council.

We fully agree with Col. Carmichael that it was a piece of foolishness to accept such funds in the first place; but the only course left now is to protect the funds and meet the obligations they impose promptly or else appeal to the legislature for relief from those obligations.

COMPENSATION FOR ACCIDENTS

In a bulletin just issued the federal bureau of labor statistics dwells on the subject of compensation for accidents to employes of the United States and emphasizes many points not generally known to the public. Now that 24 states have made provision for compensation in one form or another the principle is regarded as one of the accepted reforms, but as recent as 1908, the act entitled "An act granting to certain employes of the United States the right to receive from it compensation for injuries sustained in the course of their employments" established the first general accident compensation law in this country.

When the law came into effect in August, 1908, its provisions protected artisans and laborers in manufacturing establishments, arsenals and navy yards, river and harbor and fortification work, hazardous employment in the reclamation of arid lands and under the Isthmian Canal commission. It was later extended to include all employes under the Isthmian Canal commission and to take in employes in the bureau of mines, the lighthouse service and some branches of the forestry service. It is estimated to embrace approximately 95,000 persons, or "somewhat less than one-fourth of the civilian employes of the United States." The government compensation law differs in form from the laws enacted in the states, but the bulletin of the labor department says that it was influential in directing the adoption of such legislation in the 24 states that boast of such laws.

The wide scope of the government act may be surmised from some condensed figures. The number of accidents reported in all departments the first year was 4,887, for the second year 6,959, rising to 9,381 in the third year and to over 10,000 in the fourth. In the fifth year the number was 10,656, making a total of 42,293 for the five years it has been in operation. The total paid out in compensation amounted to $1,503,922.27. At present there is a movement on foot for the amendment of the law and its extension to cover all employes of the United States and to provide compensation for all accidents resulting in death or disability continuing for more than three days.

THE MERCHANT MARINE

The Boston Post is not enthusiastic about that clause of the president's recent message which had to do with the reorganization of the merchant marine. It will be remembered that the recommendation was for government-owned ships until the venture was made profitable, the function of transportation then to be turned over to private concerns. The Post holds, and consistently, that the situation which is outlined by the chief executive would be virtually a state of competition between the government and private capital, to the disadvantage of the latter. It calls attention, too, to the possibility of loss in the early stages of the new policy and asks "What earthly chance then would private owners have to get into the game at all?" It would be nothing short of ruinous to our future shipping if the well meant government aid turned out to be a serious obstacle.

Those who support the president's contention urge the necessity for prompt action as the ruling consideration and declare that the government-managed ideal is not the best but is the only feasible plan if we are to take full advantage of our industrial opportunities at the present time. The one main deduction to be derived from the wide discussion is that private interests have not been conspicuous either for patriotism or good business up to the present, with regard to our foreign shipping—if things are as represented. Everybody agrees that "something" should be done, but, what is the best "something" to do?

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A CHRISTMAS TRUCE

Last Christmas, in a great part of the Christian world, instead of the Christmas bells that from hill to hill answer each other through the mist, shot and shell will thunder out a terrible tattoo and brother will fly at the throat of brother at the command of pagan war generals. Nothing could be further from ideal Christianity than the conditions in Europe, and in all probability to-day of all days will see in a red dawn and die out in a bloody sunset. The angels may come down again on the hills of Judea to chant their "Gloria in excelsis" but their "Peace on earth" will be drowned out in the cannonade of the rival armies. If Pope Benedict XV had his way, all the nations would have agreed to a truce over Christmas but his plans were defeated by the opposition of a certain power, which, according to Germany, is Russia. It seems too bad, in a sentimental sense that the truce was not agreed on, as it might have proved the preliminary for permanent peace. If the truce were to be merely a lull in the fighting, it would not prove of much permanent advantage, though it would be another acceptable offering at the crib of Bethlehem.

GRADE CROSSING AGAIN

Lowell people of an older generation were shocked a few days ago to read that Rev. Charles L. Merriam, a minister who was known favorably in this city, was killed in an automobile accident at Hackensack, N. J., last Thursday night, returning from a wedding at which he had officiated. The details of the accident score another point against unprotected railroad crossings and, like all such occurrences, give us of Lowell something that we ought to ponder on for a little while. The clerical party which met with such a sad calamity was, it is to be presumed, exercising more care than the ordinary automobile party, but the crossing was such that trains could not be seen until the tracks were reached. The engineer of the train said that the whistle was blown several times but it was not apparently heard by any of the occupants of the car, being drowned out by the noise of the auto's engine. Taken all in all such accidents prove that the only way to safeguard the public adequately is to do away with the crossings. It is a costly requirement but the loss from accidents is far greater in the long run both to the railroads and to the public.

THE SHEDD ICE PARK

The annual flooding of Shedd park for the purpose of transforming it into a skating rink is something that brings gladness to the parents of the city as well as to the children. Already it has been the means of saving many lives and as time goes on it will be a still greater boon. It now remains for all who have charge of the children of the city to prevent their skating on any other body of water, if possible, as Shedd park is the only really safe place for juveniles who want to enjoy the ruling sport of the season. Many grown ups who have foresworn skating delights take pleasure annually in the sight of the hundreds who skim over the Shedd park surface, finding health and happiness in airy motion.

SEEN AND HEARD

Noah Bowzer is a great temperance lecturer in Illinois.

The man with horse sense keeps a bridle on his temper.

After sizing up the jewelry worn by most of the princesses a fellow wonders where all the stained glass factories are located.

MARSHALL AND MAYOR

Mayor Barry of Nashua wishes to know why Congressman-elect Wason did not bring Vice President Marshall to call upon the chief executive of the city during his recent visit there.

Mr. Wason says in reply that when he and the vice president passed the city hall they looked up at the mayor's office and not seeing him in the window concluded he was not at home. And if the mayor does not like that explanation we presume he can frame up one for himself.—The Concord Monitor.

WHO KNOWS?

In the ordinary news of the day is found the following:

The schooner Gavilda reported that 120 miles south of Valparaiso she found a portion of the body of a British sailor floating on a lifebuoy from an English warship.

The battle, a sinking ship, a plunge into the stormy depths, and then, by the mercy of God, a lifebuoy! Long hours days and nights, waiting for a sail, exhaustion and a shark! Who knows?—Philadelphia Ledger.

A FAIR SAMPLE

Looking over The Sun I came across the announcement of "The One-Man Quartet," a musical act now playing at the Opera House, and the "act" recalled an amusing incident that occurred at city hall a few years ago, and which has never been published. It seems that a certain high city official and a leading citizen were making arrangements for a monster banquet that was to be given at the armory and at this particular meeting, assignments of speakers and prominent citizens at the head table were being made. They had about finished their work when suddenly the leading citizen said "Hold on, one minute. We must provide seats for the quartet at the head table." "That's so, I never thought of them," replied the city official. "Let's see; how many men are there in that quartet?"

PERILS OF A REPORTER

Men not accustomed to being interviewed for the press are very likely, when they vary from custom, to say more than they had intended, and to say it differently. If such men occupy high positions and their printed remarks produce unexpected embarrassments it is an old and modern practice to repudiate the review and discredit the reporter. This is one of the perils of an interviewer.

The British war office has denied the accuracy of an interview with Lord Kitchener obtained by an American journalist.—Philadelphia Telegraph.

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THE BYPLAY MINSTRELS

"Mister Interlocutor, can you tell me why next Monday is like a baby that can't hold up its head?"

"No, Mr. Bones, I cannot. Will you tell us why?"

"Because it's neck's weak."

"Very good, Mr. Bones. How did you like that joke, Mr. Tambo?"

"I didn't like it, Mister Interlocutor. I heard that joke about a week back."

"After the gentlemanly ushers have removed the dead and injured, Signor O. Chokeimoff will render that pathetic ballad: 'We've Kissed the Baby Rosie After Dear Old Grandpa's Nose.'"

WHAT HE WANTED

The Boston man entered the Boston hardware store while the clerk was chatting with a drummer from the middle west.

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"Yes sir," replied the clerk. "I will send the device to your address."

"What in Sam Hill did that fellow want?" asked the drummer.

"A grindstone," replied the clerk.

AN ABANDONED CITY

The land office has the most promising metropolis of Springdale, Nevada, on its hands. Years ago Springdale was laid out, and sprang into being. It seems to have flourished for a time, on the crest of a mining boom. Though probably the prospect of the alluring blue prints did not fully materialize. At any rate, Springdale has now expired. It is abandoned.

One of the leading citizens is reported to have made a homestead and desert entry under the public land laws all over the boulevards and avenues where choice city lots were formerly sold.

It may be gathered from this example that the fate of an abandoned city is to become agricultural, mining or forest land. And, back to the farm it may be again abandoned.—Providence Journal.

ANIMOSITIES DIE, TOO

Looking forward with confidence to the ultimate triumph of the allies, the "London Spectator" comes out emphatically in favor of letting Russia have Constantinople without a protest, but with a blessing. The paper well says that "Russia is by far the greatest of the Black Sea powers, and she ought to be given the key to her own back door."

That puts the question of the outlet of the Black Sea as neatly and logically as it can be put. In the memory of some still living England and Russia were at war over this very question. Just about 150 years ago England and Germany and Austria were at war with France.

The animosities die more slowly but as surely as the soldiers who are their victims.—Hartford Courant.

CONSTANCY

It is something, sweet, when the world goes ill,
To know you are faithful and love me still;
To feel when the sunshine has left the skies,
That the light is shining in your dear eyes;
Beautiful eyes, more dear to me
Than all the wealth of the world could be.

It is something, dearest, to feel you near,
When life with its sorrows seems hard to bear;
To feel, when I falter, the clasp divine
Of your tender and trusting hand in mine;
Beautiful hand, more dear to me
Than the tenderest thing on earth could be.

Sometimes, dearest, the world goes wrong,
For God gives grief with His gift of song,
And poverty, too, but your love is more
To me than riches and golden store;
Beautiful love, until death shall part,
It is mine—as you are—my own sweetheart!

—Frank L. Stanton.

EDITORIAL COMMENT

A REST NEEDED

It is duly moved and seconded that Manchester declare a closed season on municipal partisan politics.

It is time to have one. The long shots have scored or missed, the winners have brought home the prizes, and the lame ducks are limping and muttering to their roosts and explaining that, after all, it's no killing matter. And the rest of us are settling down with a sigh of relief that it is all over. Elections have come pretty close together recently; and a good many people are surfeited with partisan eloquence.—Manchester Leader.

A CHRISTMAS TRUCE

The pope's suggestion of a cessation of fighting during the Christmas holidays has been approved by Germany. It is a good suggestion. Nothing may come of it; even if all the belligerents agree and hostilities do cease for a few days the only result may be to prolong the war just so much. There is always the chance, however, that once the contestants have stopped fighting, they will have time to consider the folly of ever starting in again, and in that case they would be so much nearer to permanent peace.—New Bedford Standard.

SEA FIGHTS

From the practical viewpoint, the war viewpoint, the destruction of the German high sea fleet is of huge importance. As a sea fight, however, as a thing of spectacular appeal, it shows us how far we have traveled from the old days of the Bon Homme Richard and the Serapis, the Constitution and the Guerriere, the Monitor and the Merrimac. Strategy that resulted in bringing superior ships against inferior was the determining factor. Fighting five miles apart eliminates all of that dramatic appeal which the old-time sea battle possessed.—Worcester Gazette.

LARGE ARMIES

When they tell the strength of the military nations—so many hundred thousand soldiers, and so many battleships—it might be thought that any two of them might be set in the ring together; and then the fighter with the fewer ships and the fewer thousands of soldiers would get knocked out.

It is not so simple as that. The biggest fleet, like the British, has the biggest task to perform. The strongest army, like the Germans, has the biggest enemies to meet. Each has its tasks. Each of them is more or less completely tied to its task. Not one of them could send the greater part of its fighting strength to a great distance from the defence work to which it is assigned.—Lewiston Sun.

THE COST OF DIPLOMACY

On his return from the post of ambassador to France, Myron T. Herrick not only declines to discuss the incipient presidential boom started in his behalf, but he tells his interviewers he must settle down and earn some money toward replacing the $400,000 his duties in Paris have cost him. It appears that besides rendering valuable services in the crisis of the year, Mr. Herrick has devoted a generous sum from his private means to his work for the government that now recalls him to make room for a political appointee. Such is the gratitude of republics—and the expense of ambassadorships.—Brockton Times.

CARD OF THANKS

The undersigned wish to express sincere thanks to those who by any act of kindness or word of consolation helped to lighten the burden of our sorrow in our recent sudden bereavement in the death of our loving son and brother, William Nagle. Especially do we wish to mention the employes of the Stirling mills and the U. S. Cartridge Co. For the many beautiful floral and spiritual offerings tendered we are especially grateful. All will ever be held in remembrance by

Mrs. Abbie Nagle and Family.

RELIC OF WITCH DAYS

SALEM, Dec. 11.—A more than symbolic reminder of one of the historic things which have gone to make this city famous all over the civilized world reposes prominently in a glass-topped case in the office of the clerk of courts of Essex county in the Salem court building.

The historic episode, of course, was that which has given this city its nickname of the Witch City—the witchcraft superstition which flourished in the early days of the town. And the reminder is nothing other than the actual transcript of some records of a famous Salem witchcraft case, with exhibits which go with it.

The most striking thing in the exhibit is a huge, well-worn and time-seasoned book containing, in ancient-looking handwriting, some interesting relics of old witch days. On one page is the death warrant of Bridget Bishop, the first person executed in Salem on a witchcraft charge, and its perusal is an illuminating commentary on the judicial methods of the day. On the opposite page is a transcript of the direct examination of Rebekah Nurse, one of those who evidently gave some of the principal testimony in the famous case.

The latter is in the handwriting of Rev. Samuel Paris, who, as the commentary on the case tells was "among the most active in the delusion." It was in this reverend gentleman's house that the strange doings are said to have originated.

In another part of the exhibit are shown a number of time-worn looking pins, which are described as having been produced in court as evidence in the case. It is explained that the accusing girls were to testify during the trial of the case that their flesh was pricked with these instruments of alleged torture, which have a somewhat wicked look.

Last but not perhaps least interesting reposes the county seal used on the warrants for arrest in those days. It has a monogram spelling "Essex," and it dates back to 1687.

PRESENTED TO SOCIETY

DELIGHTFUL EVENT HELD IN HONOR OF MISS ELIZABETH TALBOT OF NORTH BILLERICA

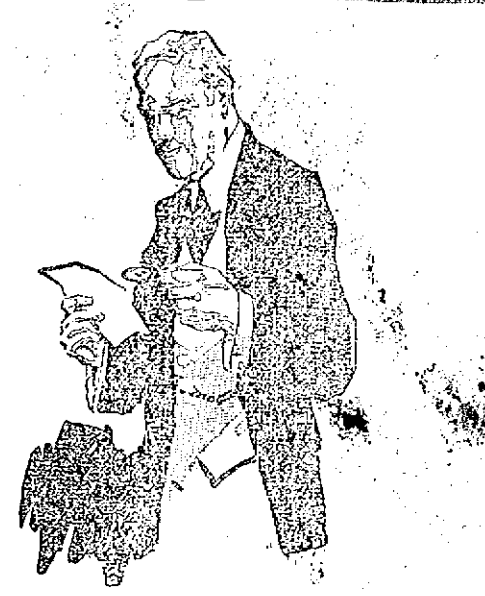
At a tea given by Mr. and Mrs. Joseph F. Talbot in Thomas Talbot Memorial hall Saturday evening, their daughter, Miss Elizabeth Bradford Talbot, was formally introduced to society. The hall was tastefully decorated for the occasion and presented a very attractive appearance. Following the tea dancing was enjoyed to music furnished by a Boston orchestra. Miss Talbot received numerous floral offerings in honor of the event. The following young women assisted at the tea tables: Misses Eugenia Melgs, Helen Nesmith, Katherine Tucke, Gertrude Parker, Elizabeth Eastman, Leslie Hylan and Mela Jefferson of Lowell; Miss Harriet Taylor of Haverhill, Miss Marion Hudson of Concord and Miss Virginia Parker of Newton.

PATROLMAN GILLIS' CASE

That an injury he received while arresting an offender some time ago caused him to lose sleep and strength was the defense offered by Patrolman Gillis at a private hearing given before a trial board consisting of Deputy Downey and Sergeants McCloughey and Giroux. Patrolman Gillis was charged with violation of Rule 19, and he was represented at the hearing by Lawyer Haven G. Hill.

The witnesses for the complainant were Captain Atkinson, Lieut. Freeman and Sergeant Ryan. It is said that their testimony was to the effect that the policeman acted strangely when he came from his beat early Thursday morning. When questioned by the superior officers, it is claimed, he refused to make any reply. The three superior officers said that he was intoxicated.

Patrolman Gillis, who has been connected with the police department for nine years, denied that he was drunk and said that he was suffering from an injury sustained while on duty as a police officer.



It's Worth Reading!

The News of This Christmas Clothing Sale For Men

Every one of the finest Suits and Overcoats in stock, made by

Rogers-Peet & Co.

has been marked down to the prices usual in January.

THIS ENTIRE FINE STOCK is at your service as below:

131 ROGERS - PEET'S finest suits, including all of the imported Scotch fabrics and costly worsteds, were $28, $30, $33 and $35. Now

$24.50

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$28.50

Putnam & Son Co.

166 CENTRAL STREET.

BABY CARRIAGE TIRES

Put on, 25c up. Prompt service and good work.

GEO. H. BACHELDER

POST OFFICE SQUARE

JOIN RED CROSS

Hitchcock and Barron of Harvard College Off to Europe

BOSTON, Dec. 14.—H. R. Hitchcock, '13, the 1912 football tackle and later Harvard's pitcher, has left for Europe with E. L. Barron, '13, a former president of the Harvard Lampoon, to join the Red Cross corps in active service at the front.

The men left Cambridge yesterday for New York. It is possible that they may be chosen to drive or accompany the ambulance automobiles that Harvard is planning to send to the Red Cross in Europe. They have been assigned to the department which is in charge of Gardner Hale, '13, another editor of the Harvard Lampoon. Hitchcock and Barron corresponded with him before leaving and it was through his influence that they decided to join in helping the wounded soldiers.

Hitchcock entered the Harvard law school this fall and Barron had been working on a Boston paper. Several Harvard seniors who will be graduated at midyear have planned to go abroad, and it is possible that the whole contingent will form a Harvard division and use the four ambulances sent by the college in the Red Cross work.

THOMAS RAPS COLLINS

VETERAN ATHLETIC CATCHER BLAMES SECOND BASEMAN FOR LOSS OF SEVERAL GAMES

In every ball club are some petty jealousies and invariably a couple of knockers, but the Mackmen were known as a club that was practically free from this little disturbance until the past season. That there is something wrong is evident in the way certain players do not mind knocking each other in public. The last shot by Ira Thomas at the brilliant Eddie Collins proves conclusively that the tall tactician had a bunch of trouble on his hands.

Thomas, who is on the trip with the All-Americans now en route to Honolulu, is reported to have written to a friend that Collins lost many ball games for the Athletics through his desire to grab all the money there was in sight. Ira, in explaining this, is reported to have said that Collins' newspaper articles had not only lost many games, but caused other teams to change their styles so completely that Ira has his doubts about the future success of the team.

Thomas declares that the Athletics would have had smooth sailing to at least four or five more consecutive pennants had Collins kept his knowledge to himself. Incidentally Ira remarks that this inside knowledge of the opposing teams' weaknesses was not secured by Eddie, but by other members of the team, and that Collins was let in on it. It is generally thought that Collins is one of the shrewdest men in the country in this respect, but now the fans will have to take their pick and either agree with Ira or decide that Thomas has an ax to grind.

Here is what Thomas is reported to have written to his friend:

"In writing his articles Collins has tipped off many things that he should have kept to himself. He did not give away our signs or tell so much about the inside workings of our club, but he did something that was just as bad.

"For years our players have been grabbing the signs of other clubs, the peculiarities of the different players and their weaknesses. Very little of this was gathered by Collins, but naturally along with the rest of the players, everything was told him.

"Eddie used this information in his articles, telling just how we knew what was coming from a certain pitcher because he always did a peculiar windup when he was going to throw a curve ball. Naturally the rival players heard about this and started to remedy their defects. Certain signs that had been used a long time by other clubs were changed.

"With the information we had at our disposal we would have been able to win pennants for the next six years. But all this was changed because Collins wanted to grab all the money in sight, and thus spoiled the work of several years by a few of us. The other clubs now watch us keenly, and we won't have the big edge over visiting teams in future."

TO PREVENT FIRES

BOSTON, Dec. 14—Michael A. Murphy, deputy fire prevention commissioner, addressed the delegates to the Garment Workers' district council yesterday afternoon and, after explaining the work that his department is trying to do, called on the men and women to go back to their respective unions and try to teach their fellow-workers to use care and prevent fires.

CLINE AND SUTTON, EX-CHAMPIONS, PLAYING IN BILLIARD TOURNAMENT

George Sutton and Harry Cline are two of the former champions who are playing in the Champion Billiard Players' league games in various cities over the country. Sutton is the oldest player in the league. He lost his title in the 18.2 game to Calvin Demarest, who in turn was defeated by Harry Cline, who gave way to Willie Hoppe. Sutton was compelled to retire owing to ill health a few years ago, but he has recently regained his strength and is playing a good game. He owns a farm near Hartford, Mich. Harry Cline was reared on a farm near Lancaster, Pa. His father owned a hotel in Lancaster, and the billiard table in the hotel was the first one that Harry ever saw. Forbidden to play on it because of his age, Harry rigged up a billiard table of his own in the barn with marbles for balls. He was told that real billiard balls were made from the tusks of elephants. There was no elephant on the Cline farm, but there were cows and one of them was compelled to give up a horn that Harry might make billiard balls. He was disappointed at finding that the horn was hollow. For years Farmer Cline's one-horned cow was a familiar object in the neighborhood, and there was a deep mystery as to how she lost her horn.

THREE CHILDREN PERISH

Maine Rivers Claim Three Victims—Cambridge Boy Had a Narrow Escape

Victims of Thin Ice

ALBERT ALEXANDER, aged 12, at Brunswick, Me.

MISS PHOEBE PELKIE, aged 17, at Kingman, Me.

THOMAS BEURQUE, aged 7, at Waterville, Me.

BOSTON, Dec. 14.—Frank Sheehan, aged 12, of 36 Winthrop street, Cambridge, was saved from drowning in the Charles river at the foot of Flagg street, in that city, yesterday noon by quick work on the part of Chairman Daniel A. Buckley of the Cambridge park commission, William Gaynor of 20 Weeks street and John Roy of Stiles street, Cambridge.

Sheehan was one of a number of lads on the thin ice, danger signs being disregarded. The combined weight of the youngsters broke the ice, Sheehan with Edward Cunningham, aged 12 of Banks street, Cambridge, going down. The others scampered to shore.

Cunningham managed to crawl to unbroken ice and held out a hand to Sheehan, but the ice gave way and Cunningham was forced to shift for himself.

Mr. Buckley was in the vicinity. Gaynor procured a clothesline from a neighbor, fastened one end about his waist and crawled out 25 feet, Buckley holding the other end. It was treacherous going on the ice and Sheehan had a hard time keeping afloat until Gaynor could reach him. Cunningham in the meantime had reached a place of safety and made the shore.

Gaynor finally reached Sheehan, but was unable to take him from the water, and Roy made his way out to help. The lad was hauled out by the two men and pushed ashore over the ice, Buckley hauling Gaynor, with Roy clinging on.

Sheehan was taken to the house of Henry Sullivan, Stiles street, where he was treated by Dr. C. M. Hutchinson. Yesterday afternoon he was little the worse for his experience.

SAW BROTHER PERISH

Frank Alexander Made Brave Attempt to Save His Brother Albert at Brunswick, Me.

BRUNSWICK, Me., Dec. 14.—Albert Alexander, 12 years, son of Mrs. Effie Alexander, was drowned in the Androscoggin river late yesterday afternoon. The boy and his brother Frank, two years older, were skating and knocking a can about with their hockey sticks.

Albert went on thin ice and broke through at a point where the water runs swiftly. Frank made a brave attempt to save his brother. Lying on the ice, he extended his hockey stick, but when the younger boy took hold of it he pulled Frank in also.

Ernest Barribeau saw the accident from Mill street and threw a long pole over the river bank to Leonce Labbe, who was on the ice. Labbe succeeded in reaching Frank and pulled him out, but Albert in the meantime had become benumbed with the cold and sank. The body was not recovered.

KINGMAN GIRL DROWNED

She and Two Companions Go Through Ice While Skating—Her Friends Rescued

KINGMAN, Me., Dec. 14.—Miss Phoebe Pelkie, aged 17, was drowned, and two companions were rescued when ice on which they were skating gave way yesterday.

VENTURES TOO NEAR EDGE

Thomas Beurque, Aged 7, of Waterville, Me., Drowned in the Kennebec River

WATERVILLE, Me., Dec. 14.—The first drowning accident of the season in this vicinity occurred in the Kennebec yesterday when Thomas Beurque, aged 7, fell into the open swift water when he ventured too near the edge of the ice. The body was not recovered.

SLEEPYTIME TALES

BY VIRGINIA VALE

FOR THE LITTLE READERS OF THE SUN

THE FUNNY MOUSE

Once upon a time a little field mouse ran out of the field into a hole in a tree. It was warm and snug in there and the mouse was cold and hungry so he huddled close in the corner and went fast asleep. So hard did he sleep that he didn't hear the squirrels when they came home and he woke with a start to see some big bright eyes looking at him.

"How dare you come into our house while we were away?" said one of them. "Go right out or I will push you out."

The frightened mouse tried to get up and to run but his feet were so cramped from his long rest that he nearly fell. "Poor thing, let him stay," said another squirrel, "just tonight and he can go in the morning."

The little mouse slept close beside one of the squirrels and when he woke in the morning there was a nice breakfast waiting for him. "Hugh, hugh, you better go out with us this morning and earn your night's lodging by gathering some nuts and bring them home," said a squirrel.

The little mouse was very glad to do this and worked so hard that he had the biggest pile of nuts to take home. He was such a willing little fellow that everyone began to grow quite fond of him and nothing more was said about his going and he lived all winter with his new friends.

The next spring when his own people saw him what do you think? His tail had grown quite bushy and his fur was almost as thick as the little fellows he had lived with all winter. He had grown so fond of his friends and they liked him so well that he never went back to the fields to live but lived with the squirrels all the rest of his life.

Don't you think he was a funny little fellow?

SOCIAL AND FRATERNAL

Ninety-five names were added to the membership of Lowell Aerie of Eagles at a class initiation held yesterday afternoon in Odd Fellows temple on Middlesex street. The initiation exercises proved interesting and impressive and were witnessed by nearly 500 Eagles from this city and elsewhere.

The degree staff was comprised of 16 members, captained by John McMahon, and the exercises were carried out without any mishap.

Following the initiation exercises, refreshments were served and a musical entertainment was furnished which consisted of selections by the Broadway quartet. The following had charge of the entertainment: Edward Smith, Peter McMahon, Alfred T. Hanley and John McCallum.

Daughters of Veterans

Mary E. Smith tent, Daughters of Veterans, has elected the following officers to serve for the ensuing year: President, Mrs. Ellie Kittridge; senior vice president, Mrs. Alice Felch; junior vice president, Mrs. Alice Phelps; chaplain, Mrs. Annie S. Guyette; treasurer, Mrs. Maude Dyer; trustees, Miss Ella Jackson, Mrs. Mary Mack and Mrs. Lois Johnson; patriotic instructor, Mrs. Ethelena Curtis. It was voted to extend an invitation to the Sons of Veterans to join in a joint installation, to be open to the public, to be held at the first meeting in January.

FIRE IN LAWRENCE

LAWRENCE, Dec. 14.—A two-alarm fire in the three-story brick block, 82-84 South Broadway, owned by William Sullivan, caused about $2000 damage. The ground floor is occupied by Mr. Sullivan's dry goods store and the drug store of the Dubonle company. Both sustained loss by smoke.

The fire originated in waste paper in the basement and looked so serious that Chief Engineer Carey ordered the second division called. The flames worked through the first floor in two places, but were checked. Mr. Sullivan had insurance on the building, but none on the contents of his store, it is said.

LEGAL NOTICES

To the Honorable the Judges of the Probate Court in and for the County of Middlesex:

Respectfully represents Anna M. Rourke, of Lowell, in the County of Middlesex, that she is the lawful wife of William J. Rourke, of parts unknown to your petitioner, and that your petitioner and said William J. Rourke are actually living apart from each other; that children have been born to them who are now living and whose names and dates of birth are as follows: Helena Ivy Rourke, born March 22, 1908, residing at 126 Adams street, said Lowell. Winifred Doris Rourke, born August 27, 1912, residing at 147 Lawrence street, said Lowell.

Your petitioner further represents that the happiness and welfare of said children, who are minors, require that she should have the custody and possession of them.

Wherefore she prays that said Court will make such orders as it deems expedient concerning the care, custody, education and maintenance of said minor children, and order that they remain with your petitioner.

Dated this seventh day of November, A. D. 1914.

ANNA M. ROURKE.

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS. Middlesex, ss. Probate Court.

On the foregoing petition, it is ordered that the petitioner give notice to said William J. Rourke, to appear at a Probate Court to be held at Lowell, in said County of Middlesex, on the nineteenth day of January, A. D. 1915, at nine o'clock in the forenoon, by publishing this citation once in each week, for three successive weeks in The Lowell Sun, a newspaper published in Lowell, the last publication to be one day at least, before said Court.

Witness, Charles J. McIntire, Esquire, First Judge of said Court, this twenty-seventh day of November, in the year one thousand nine hundred and fourteen.

W. E. ROGERS, Register. N30-D7-14

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS. Middlesex, ss. Probate Court.

To the heirs-at-law, next of kin, creditors, and all other persons interested in the estate of Maurice Fitzgerald late of Lowell, in said County, deceased intestate.

Whereas a petition has been presented to said Court to grant a letter of administration on the estate of said deceased to Bridget Rohan of Lowell, in the County of Middlesex, without giving a surety on her bond,

You are hereby cited to appear at a Probate Court to be held at Lowell, in said County of Middlesex, on the fifteenth day of December, A. D. 1914, at nine o'clock in the forenoon, to show cause if any you have, why the same should not be granted.

And the petitioner is hereby directed to give public notice thereof, by publishing this citation once in each week, for three successive weeks, in The Lowell Sun, a newspaper published in Lowell, the last publication to be one day, at least, before said Court.

Witness, Charles J. McIntire, Esquire, First Judge of said Court, this first day of December, in the year one thousand nine hundred and fourteen.

W. E. ROGERS, Register. D2-7-14

MORTGAGEE'S SALE OF REAL ESTATE

By virtue of the power of sale contained in a certain mortgage deed given by Nathan Birchenough and Maggie A. Birchenough, his wife, in her right and in the right of each, both of Lowell, in the County of Middlesex and Commonwealth of Massachusetts, to The Central Savings Bank, a corporation established under the laws of said Commonwealth and located at said Lowell, dated April 1, 1904, and recorded in the Registry of Deeds for the Northern District of said County, Book 363, Page 562, which mortgage was assigned by said The Central Savings Bank to Charles E. Guthrie by assignment dated July 23, 1914 and recorded in said Registry, Book 525, Page 5[illegible], will be sold at public auction for breach of the conditions of said mortgage deed, on the premises hereinafter described on Wednesday, the thirtieth day of December, 1914, at eleven o'clock in the forenoon, all and singular the premises conveyed by said mortgage deed and therein described substantially as follows:

A certain piece or parcel of land situated in Dracut, in said County, near the part thereof called the Navy Yard on an old road or bridle path leading from Lakeview avenue to Hildreth street at the northwest corner of the premises to be conveyed, on said old road as shown on a plan of land entitled, "Plan of Land in Dracut, Mass., belonging to Chas. E. Guthrie, March 1901, O. M. Snell, C. E." which plan is recorded in the Registry of Deeds for the Northern District of said County, Book of Plans 21, Plan 4; thence southerly by said old road one hundred sixty-two and 5-10 feet to a stone wall; thence south 45° 16' east two hundred forty and 5-10 feet to a corner; thence north 86° 43' east one hundred sixty-four and 6-10 feet; thence in a northwesterly direction by a stone wall two hundred fifty-five feet; thence north 55° 05' east one hundred eight feet; thence westerly by the center line of a road shown on said plan twenty-four feet in width three hundred fifteen and 4-10 feet to the point of beginning. Containing one and 45-100 acres and being the same premises to said Nathan Birchenough and Maggie A. Birchenough conveyed by Charles E. Guthrie by deed dated April 1, 1904 and recorded in said Registry, Book 363, Page 561. Together with the right to use a strip twelve feet in width adjoining the northerly side of said premises as a passageway.

The above described premises will be sold and conveyed subject to any and all unpaid taxes, municipal or other assessments and tax sales which may be due or to become due thereon. The purchaser will be required to pay $200 in cash at the time and place of sale, and the balance in ten days from the day of sale at the office of William T. Sheppard, 193 Central street, Lowell, Mass.

CHARLES E. GUTHRIE, Assignee. D7-14-21

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS. Middlesex ss. Probate Court.

To the heirs-at-law, next of kin and all other persons interested in the estate of Edward C. White, late of Lowell, in said County, deceased.

Whereas, a certain instrument purporting to be the last will and testament of said deceased has been presented to said Court, for Probate, by James J. Kerwin, who prays that letters testamentary may be issued to him, the executor therein named, without giving a surety on his official bond.

You are hereby cited to appear at a Probate Court, to be held at Lowell, in said County of Middlesex, on the fifteenth day of December, A. D. 1914, at nine o'clock in the forenoon, to show cause, if any you have, why the same should not be granted.

And said petitioner is hereby directed to give public notice thereof, by publishing this citation once in each week, for three successive weeks, in The Lowell Sun, a newspaper published in Lowell, the last publication to be one day, at least, before said Court, and by mailing postpaid, or delivering a copy of this citation to all known persons interested in the estate, seven days at least before said Court.

Witness, Charles J. McIntire, Esquire, First Judge of said Court, this second day of December, in the year one thousand nine hundred and fourteen.

W. E. ROGERS, Register. D7-12-14

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS. Middlesex ss. Probate Court.

To the heirs-at-law, next of kin and all other persons interested in the estate of William G. Deans late of Lowell, in said County, deceased.

Whereas, a certain instrument purporting to be the last will and testament of said deceased has been presented to said Court, for Probate, by Daniel J. Donahue, who prays that letters testamentary may be issued to him, the executor therein named, without giving a surety on his official bond.

You are hereby cited to appear at a Probate Court, to be held at Cambridge, in said County of Middlesex, on the fourteenth day of January, A. D. 1915, at nine o'clock in the forenoon, to show cause, if any you have, why the same should not be granted.

And said petitioner is hereby directed to give public notice thereof, by publishing this citation once in each week, for three successive weeks, in The Lowell Sun, a newspaper published in Lowell, the last publication to be one day, at least, before said Court, and by mailing postpaid, or delivering a copy of his citation to all known persons interested in the estate thirty days at least before said Court.

Witness, Charles J. McIntire, Esquire, First Judge of said Court, this ninth day of December, in the year one thousand nine hundred and fourteen.

W. E. ROGERS, Register. D12-14-21

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS. Middlesex, ss. Probate Court.

To the heirs-at-law, next of kin, creditors, and all other persons interested in the estate of Margaret Jones, late of Lowell, in said County, deceased, intestate.

Whereas a petition has been presented to said Court to grant a letter of administration on the estate of said deceased to Katie Jones, of Andover, in the County of Essex, or to some other suitable person.

You are hereby cited to appear at a Probate Court to be held at Cambridge, in said County of Middlesex, on the twenty-ninth day of December, A. D. 1914, at nine o'clock in the forenoon, to show cause, if any you have, why the same should not be granted.

And the petitioner is hereby directed to give public notice thereof, by publishing this citation once in each week, for three successive weeks, in The Lowell Sun, a newspaper published in Lowell, the last publication to be one day at least before said Court.

Witness, Charles J. McIntire, Esquire, First Judge of said Court, this eleventh day of December, in the year one thousand nine hundred and fourteen.

W. E. ROGERS, Register. D12-14-21

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS. Middlesex, ss. Probate Court.

To all persons interested in the estate of Patrick H. Callahan, late of Lowell, in said County, deceased:

Whereas, Bernard J. Callahan, the executor of the will of said deceased, has presented for allowance, the first account of his administration upon the estate of said deceased:

You are hereby cited to appear at a Probate Court, to be held at Lowell in said County, on the fifteenth day of December, A. D. 1914, at nine o'clock in the forenoon, to show cause, if any you have, why the same should not be allowed.

And said executor is ordered to serve this citation by delivering a copy thereof to all persons interested in the estate fourteen days at least before said Court, or by publishing the same once in each week, for three successive weeks, in The Lowell Sun, a newspaper published in Lowell, the last publication to be one day at least before said Court, and by mailing, post-paid, a copy of this citation to all known persons interested in the estate seven days at least before said Court.

Witness, Charles J. McIntire, Esquire, First Judge of said Court, this twenty-fourth day of November, in the year one thousand nine hundred and fourteen.

W. E. ROGERS, Register.
James E. O'Donnell, Attorney. D1-11-11

DISSOLUTION OF COPARTNERSHIP

We hereby give notice that the copartnership heretofore existing between Alex Mailloux and Daniel Burke, both of Lowell, in the County of Middlesex and Commonwealth of Massachusetts, under the name of the Howard Street Garage, located at 11 Howard street in said Lowell, has this day been dissolved, and that the business will hereafter be carried on by said Burke under said name at 11 Howard street, all bills due to said firm to be paid to said Burke, and all bills due from said firm to be paid by said Burke.

ALEX. MAILLOUX,
DANIEL BURKE.

Lowell, Mass., Nov. 23, 1914.

HELP WANTED

AGENTS BE YOUR OWN BOSS; follow our directions; make $5 to $10 daily. Steady sellers. H. H. Brehm, 2170 Third Avenue, New York, N. Y.

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HOW TO GET THE POSITION you want. How to get ahead of other applicants. How to locate in other cities. Send for circular describing little book. Lock Box 1957, Boston.

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Steam dyeing and cleaning of ladies' and gents' wearing apparel. 30 years in the business.

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IF THE PERSON WHO TOOK THE coat by mistake from the party at Dempsey's place, Saturday night, will return same to 10 Roberts st., no questions will be asked.

BROWN LEATHER BILL FOLD containing sum of money and owner's name on it, lost in Associate hall, or on Moody, Aiken sts., or Ailley ave., Friday night. Reward if returned to 221 Hildreth st.

BOSTON TERRIER, BRINDLE, white neck, lost, Dec. 10; name Pretzel. Finder kindly return to D. O. Swan, 305 Nesmith st.

RUBY SCARF PIN SET WITH FOUR small diamonds lost between cor. Lawrence and So. Whipple sts. and the Lowell Rendering Works, via So. Lowell car Dec. 2nd. Finder please return to 13 So. Whipple st. and receive reward.

WANTED

PARLOR STOVE IN GOOD CONDITION wanted; state price, how long used and name of stove. Address J. F. C., Sun Office.

DOGS AND PUPPIES OF EVERY description wanted. Orders for Pomeranians and St. Bernards. Cash paid. Delaney Kennels, 60 Juniper st., Lawrence, Mass.

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I will buy 50 to 1000 bushels of Potatoes. For particulars write G-59, Sun Office.

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FURNISHED AND UNFURNISHED rooms to let; heat; running hot and cold water; one suite suitable for light housekeeping; on two car lines. 200 Branch st.

ONE FOUR-ROOM TENEMENT TO let; all conveniences; $10. Inquire 393 Westford st.

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Southern Div. To Boston Lve.	Arr.	Southern Div. From Boston Lve.	Arr.	Portland Div. To Boston Lve.	Arr.	Portland Div. From Boston Lve.	Arr.
5.13	6.50	2.55	3.28	6.35	7.36	z6.39	8.03
6.25	7.26	6.00	6.58	n7.53	8.45	9.19	10.29
6.47	7.30	7.11	8.24	9.32	10.53	10.50	11.53
b6.40	7.53	7.50	8.35	10.57	12.07	11.50	12.35
6.57	8.50	n8.21	9.29	12.02	1.13	3.30	4.40
7.21	8.05	9.40	9.30	21.27	2.46	5.14	6.33
s7.28	8.49	9.30	10.08	2.40	4.41	6.03	7.05
7.56	8.37	11.30	12.09	5.15	6.41	7.00	8.15
8.56	9.37	12.30	1.09	7.25	8.35	9.59	11.03
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9.36	10.18	3.00	3.46				
10.14	11.36	b3.44	6.00				
11.08	11.45	4.00	4.38				
12.15	1.05	s4.14	5.31				
1.45	2.25	5.00	5.35				
2.30	3.27	b5.21	6.32				
3.49	4.30	5.33	6.34				
4.20	5.27	b5.51	7.14				
5.31	6.25	6.14	7.23				
b6.17	7.22	8.00	8.28				
6.22	7.05	8.30	9.08				
8.06	8.50	10.30	11.36				
9.46	10.30	11.40	12.36				

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Southern Division

To Boston Lve.	Arr.	From Boston Lve.	Arr.
6.47	7.29	8.45	9.47
7.21	8.05	9.30	10.08
8.50	9.36	11.30	12.09
9.06	9.55	1.00	1.54
10.30	11.17	5.30	6.24
2.42	3.25	6.04	6.38
5.10	6.00	8.30	9.08
6.27	7.15	9.20	10.25
8.06	8.55	10.39	11.55
9.46	10.30		

Portland Division

To Boston Lve.	Arr.	From Boston Lve.	Arr.
8.20	9.27	8.00	9.19
12.10	1.10	22.00	1.00
3.50	5.06	3.35	4.46
5.45	7.00	6.20	6.38
5.55	20.04	8.15	9.48

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MEN IN STATE PRISON WILL WEAR NIGHTSHIRTS

Acting Warden Allen of Charlestown First in Country to Adopt Innovation

BOSTON, Dec. 14.—Beginning tonight, the inmates of the Charlestown state prison will for the first time in the history of the institution wear nightshirts when they go to bed. This is an innovation in prisons, Charlestown being the first in the country to adopt it.

The idea originated with Acting Warden Nathan D. Allen, who has been in charge of the prison for the past six months. In the past few weeks he has had the prisoners busily engaged in the workshops making the shirts and today Mr. Allen will give each of the 731 inmates two shirts, so that they may make a change once a week.

Many of the inmates, according to the prison officials, will don night shirts for the first time in their lives. It will be the first time in 28 years that Jesse Pomeroy has retired in a night shirt.

Heretofore the prisoners have gone to bed in their working clothes. When Mr. Allen assumed charge of the institution he did not believe the prisoners should sleep in the clothes they wore while working about the prison yards and shops, and he immediately got the forces in the shops busy on 1600 night garments.

Four hundred white iron beds, with springs and mattresses, are also being turned out in the prison workshops at the orders of Mr. Allen, who will install them in the old section of the prison, replacing the old-fashioned wooden slat-beds located in some 400 cells in the north and west wings. A bathroom with tubs is being installed in the prison hospital. Already there are several shower baths in the prison, under which the inmates take weekly baths.

Many other changes are contemplated by Acting Warden Allen within the next few months. He has already made many improvements since assuming charge of the institution. The buildings have all been repaired and painted, new sanitary facilities installed and the food served to the prisoners has been improved. Smoking is now permitted by the men in their cells from 7 a. m. to 9 p. m., while they are in the cells. Heretofore the men were allowed to smoke an hour and a half each evening.

The prisoners highly appreciate the interest that is being taken in them by Mr. Allen, and have extended him a vote of thanks. There is a general good feeling among all of the inmates, and the prison is said to never have been on such a good footing as today. There is no trouble among the inmates and less punishment is meted out.

BUSY AT STATE HOUSE

Session of Great and General Court to Open in Three Weeks —Rush of Proposed Laws

BOSTON, Dec. 14.—The state house is bustling with preparations for the coming session of the great and general court, which will begin its labors for the year in just a little over three weeks from now. Under the constitution it will meet for organization Jan. 6.

The Massachusetts great and general court is called the legislature or the assembly in other states. Its members were elected to the two branches, house and senate, at the last state election.

Calvin Coolidge again is to be president of the senate. The house will have a new speaker to succeed Speaker Cushing, now Lieutenant-Governor. It will be Representative Channing H. Cox of Boston.

The job confronting Mr. Cox will be an interesting one. He will have a house much more republican than for a number of years and will probably have a body considerably more friendly than the last two houses were to Mr. Cushing. The famous Cushing-Lomasney controversy which has been the feature for several legislatures is to be eliminated from this legislature. But the ward 8 leader will be a member of this house, as in previous years, and his influence in a stronger republican body will be striking, because he knows well how to appeal to republicans as well as to democrats.

Governor Walsh has already outlined what promises to be one of the biggest legislative features of the session. It is the suggestion of His Excellency that there be some officer or board vested with the power to suspend the drastic labor laws of the state so that Massachusetts manufacturers may have an opportunity to take full advantage of the European crisis.

This suggestion is already receiving strong opposition from the labor leaders who express the fear that it may lead to the breaking down of the child labor act, the overtime act, the 54-hour act and other acts.

Henry Sterling and Arthur Roddell, who were present when the governor explained his views before the state board of labor and industries, voiced their opposition. They say that the labor bodies will take official action against the law.

There is another interesting law which will be brought forward. This was urged during the election by Charles L. Burrill, the new state treasurer. It is to change the constitution so that the state officials under Lieut.-Governor may be appointed by the governor, instead of being elected each year as they now are.

The woman suffrage amendment is another feature that comes up automatically this year. It also is a constitutional amendment. It went through the legislature last year without much opposition. If it goes through again by a majority of the senate and a two-thirds majority of the house it will go before the people at the state election next fall.

The women are watchfully regarding the legislature, and the first show of resistance against the amendment will precipitate a real battle.

7-20-4

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FLEE IN NIGHT CLOTHING

BOLAN FAMILY AWAKENED BY BLAZE AT WINTERPORT—STOCK DESTROYED

WINTERPORT, Me., Dec. 14.—Mr. and Mrs. Wilbur H. Bolan and their two sons escaped in their night clothing early yesterday morning when they were awakened with their home ablaze.

The house and outbuildings, about a mile from this village, were burned flat with all the contents, including half a dozen head of cattle, two horses, pigs and poultry. The fire apparently originated in the shed.

The house was built more than 100 years ago and British officers took dinner there when they were on the expedition up the Penobscot in 1814. It was a famous landmark commanding a fine view of the river. It had been occupied by several generations of the Bolan family. The loss will be about $3000, partially insured.

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MARRIAGE INTENTIONS

The following marriage intentions have been registered at the city clerk's office since the last were published:

John E. Wright, 21, bleacher, Wakefield, Mass., and Elizabeth MacLeod, 24, bookkeeper, 31 Nineteenth street.

Joseph Cyrille Lessard, 20, baker, 11 Race street, and Marie Alphonsine Begin, 22, spooler, 19 Jacques street.

James Roble Cole, 29, master mechanic, 26 West Sixth street, and Ivah Maude Conrell, 27, school teacher, Tyngsboro.

Francis Arthur Harrington, 20, clerk, 243 Stackpole street, and Rena Margaret Collins, 20, telephone operator, 21 Gold street.

James M. Kitching (divorced), 45, second hand, 20 Fifth street, and Grace E. Messer (divorced), 29, carpet weaver, 32 West Third street.

Arthur S. Pinkham (divorced), 55, employe Mason Safety Tread Co., 79 Chestnut street, and Caroline G. C. Lovell (divorced), 37, housekeeper, Sandwich, Mass.

Mr. and Mrs. Alexandre Gionet of Shirley were yesterday the guests of the former's brother, Aime Gionet, of Spalding street.

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AUSTRIANS DRIVEN BACK BY SERVIANS

Servians Capture Seven Austrian Officers, 2,188 Men, Two Flags, 16 Mountain Guns, Munitions and Supplies—French Successful in Woevre

LONDON, Dec. 14.—According to a despatch from Nish, Servia, to Reuter's Telegram company an official communication issued there Sunday claims that all attempts by the Austrians to halt their retreat have failed and that the Servians are continuing to sweep the country clear of them. The Servians are advancing successfully in the direction of Milanovatz and Belgrade, the communication continues:

"The enemy is retiring southeast of Obrenovatz.

"In the course of the day the Servians captured seven officers and 2,188 men, two flags, sixteen mountain guns, other guns, munitions and supplies."

FEATURES OF LAST NIGHT'S EUROPEAN WAR NEWS IN BRIEF FORM

French successes in Woevre threatening German line of communication between St. Mihiel and Pont-a-Mousson.

German attacks around Ypres and in Vosges repulsed.

Germans announced capture of 11,000 prisoners in North Poland.

Sweden refutes German claim that Russian mines blew up Swedish ships.

Report kaiser must undergo operation on throat; Berlin dispatches say he will return to the front this week.

Germany said to have advised Turkey to yield to Italy's demand for satisfaction for violation of consulate at Hodeida, Arabia.

Austrians report victories over Russians in Galicia.

Brussels arranges to pay war levy by taxation.

Both German and French official reports yesterday contained evidence that the allies' offensive movement is beginning to gather impetus and is meeting with stubborn resistance.

MAY APPEAL FOR AID

CHICAGO CHARITABLE ORGANIZATIONS SWAMPED AS RESULT OF COLD WAVE—ZERO WEATHER

CHICAGO, Dec. 14.—Charitable organizations were swamped here today for appeals for aid as a result of a cold wave which swept the great lakes region last night. The temperature dropped 31 degrees to zero in 10 hours. All municipal lodging houses were packed with homeless men last night.

Lowell, Monday, December 14, 1914

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CREPE DE CHINE WAISTS—Just received a new assortment of crepe de chine waists, black, white, flesh, blue and maize, all over embroidered or plain; each waist in a Holly box, at ..... $1.98 Each

ESTABLISHMENT OF AN AERIAL MAIL SERVICE

Recommended by Postmaster General—Also Asks Government Ownership of Wires

WASHINGTON, Dec. 14.—Asserting that for the first time since its organization by Benjamin Franklin, the post office department is on a self sustaining basis, Postmaster General Burleson submitted to President Wilson yesterday his annual report.

Among the most striking recommendations he makes is the establishment of an aerial mail service, where topography warrants, and extension of motor truck and auto service in view of recent experiments.

To Be Self Sustaining

Mr. Burleson's report records enormous growth in the department's business because of the parcel post and postal savings bank divisions, and recommends a program of postal legislation to increase the scope of the department's activities.

Mr. Burleson features his report with an estimate that a surplus of $8,569,545, the second of his administration, will be shown for the fiscal year of 1914, when all claims and charges have been made. On that showing he bases his declaration that the department "has been securely placed upon a self sustaining basis."

"It is safe to say," the report adds, "that unless unusual conditions should arise resulting in abnormal depression of business there is no danger of recurring deficiencies."

The legislative program recommended is as follows as to its most important features:

Early action toward government ownership of telegraph and telephone lines and immediate taking over of these systems in Hawaii, Alaska and Porto Rico; transfer of the Alaska cable from war to postoffice department control.

Contract R. R. Service

Substitution of contract "star route" system for salaried rural carrier service to eliminate $40,000,000 annual loss on rural delivery.

Postoffice cooperation with state governments in road building where improvements insure better postal service.

Raising maximum balance acceptable at postal banks from $500 to $2000, interest payments to be limited to $1000. Removal of monthly deposit limit restriction.

Aerial mail service, where topography warrants, and extension of motor truck and automobile service in view of recent successful experiments.

Passage by senate of pending bill providing space basis of compensation for railroads on mail carried instead of weight basis.

Pending change in rural delivery system, computation of carriers' salaries on basis of services performed, dependent on bulk of mail carried, to stimulate business.

Readjustment of postmasters' salaries on basis of changes in business handled due to parcel post development.

Raising of second class rates on publications other than newspapers issued once a week from one to two cents a pound.

Granting the department legal jurisdiction over selection of sites and designs for postal buildings.

THREE FIRES IN LYNN

LYNN, Dec. 14.—Fire, which broke out at 7 a. m. yesterday in the three-story wooden building of the Goodwin estate, 64 Oxford street, located in a nest of brick structures, gave the firemen a three hours' battle.

It started from a boiler in the basement, which, together with the first two stories, is occupied by the Goodwin Brothers, last manufacturers. When Patrolman Abraham L. Glover sounded an alarm a dense smoke caused by the burning of maple blocks in the basement was pouring from the windows.

The fire worked its way up through the first two floors, causing about $3000 damage to the Goodwin Bros. establishment, and burned slightly in the third floor, occupied by the Proctor Engraving company. The loss on the floor of the Proctor company is estimated at $1000.

Damage to the amount of several hundred dollars was caused in the factory of the Mitchell Stain company, 507 Washington street. Water from automatic sprinklers was released by a fire which started about noon. The explosion of a chemical near a lighted gas jet is thought to have started the fire.

Another fire, started it is believed by rats and matches, caused about $50 damage yesterday afternoon in the home of Arthur White, 351 Summer street.

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SEC. MURPHY PLEASED WITH WASHINGTON TRIP

Says the Large Delegation Made Good Impression—Sentiment of Mer'k Valley Felt at Washington

The Lowell delegation who attended the congressional hearing on the matter of deepening the Merrimack river to make it navigable from Lowell to the sea, returned to this city last night well pleased with the result of their efforts and the cordial reception given them during their stay in the capital. Secretary John H. Murphy of the Lowell board of trade this morning have out the following statement concerning the outcome of the delegation's visit to Washington:

"An excellent beginning has been made to demonstrate the desire of the people of the Merrimack valley to the army engineers and the congressional committee that there is a demand on the part of the business interests here for water transportation of raw materials and manufactured products. With the engaging of an engineer of high standing, who will make a study of the adverse report of Col. Craighill from an engineering standpoint, we will be able to return to the army engineers and receive recognition and obtain appropriations, because we shall have established the fact that the development of the Merrimack river is a meritorious project and does not savor of the pork barrel proposition. The entire delegation is especially grateful to Congressman John Jacob Rogers for the many courtesies extended the delegates during their stay in the capital."

The Lowell delegation arrived at Washington early Wednesday afternoon and immediately went to the Congress Hall hotel, where they enjoyed dinner and received assignment to their rooms. Later in the afternoon they stormed the office of the appellate board of the United States army engineers, where Col. A. M. Black acted as presiding officer. The delegation from the Merrimack valley could not be accommodated on account of the inadequacy of the room for the apartment was packed and a large number remained in the hall.

Congressman John Jacob Rogers and A. R. Sutherland, the latter of Lawrence, briefly stated that the delegation was prepared to present business arguments in relation to the adverse report of Col. Craighill and desired further time to present arguments concerning the engineering features of the report.

Cong. Rogers suggested to Col. Black that the report be recommitted to Col. Craighill and Col. Black suggested that Cong. Rogers get in touch with the chief of the U. S. army engineers and on the latter's advice the three congressmen present, Messrs. Rogers, Gardner and Phelan, signed a petition drafted by Cong. Rogers requesting Col. Craighill that his report be recommitted to him before going to the engineers.

The following morning at 10 o'clock the congressional hearing was held before the committee on rivers and harbors and on account of the large delegation present it was necessary to hold the hearing in the large room of the congressional office building, the committee room being too small.

The congressional committee asked many questions of the Merrimack valley delegation and seemed much interested in their position. The favorable impression made by the delegates who attended the hearing was commented upon, and Congressman Rogers received congratulations from his colleagues in reference to the enthusiasm concerning the project, for all delegates wore badges and buttons which could be seen all over the room.

Congressman Rogers had the Lowell delegation meet President Woodrow Wilson by appointment at the White House and he also had them visit several points of interest throughout Washington, supplying official guides. Robert F. Marden, president of the board and Secretary John H. Murphy while on their visit to the president extended the chief executive of the country an invitation to attend the silver jubilee of the Lowell board of trade in this city on Feb. 8, and the president promised to give the invitation consideration, saying he will reply to the invitation, which was extended in writing.

The entire Merrimack valley delegation were entertained at luncheon in the capitol building by Congressman Gardner and later Congressmen Gardner, Rogers and Phelan tendered another dinner to the entire delegation at the new Ebbitt house.

The Lowell delegation before leaving Washington sent a large bouquet of flowers to Mrs. John Jacob Rogers at her home in Washington as a token of appreciation for the services rendered the delegation by her husband during their stay in Washington. Certain members of the party left ahead of the board of trade men, some going to other parts of the country, and all meeting in New York Saturday evening. D. J. Carroll, Joseph E. Donahue, Edward F. Fahey and Thomas F. McKay went to Baltimore and Philadelphia, while Jesse D. Crook journeyed to Old Point Comfort, Va. Clarence H. Nelson went to Lynchburg, Va., and the rest of the party, consisting of Robert F. Marden, John H. Murphy, Capt. W. P. White and John W. Robinson, went to New York. Mayor D. J. Murphy, who was also of the party, went to New York, but did not return with the party.

The accommodations at the hotels were of the best, while the train service was excellent. The Lowell delegation is well pleased with its trip and Messrs. Marden and Murphy are being complimented on the result.

BOY HAD PLAYED TRUANT

WENT SKATING—GOT WET AND WAS AFRAID TO GO HOME TILL CLOTHES DRIED

Because he had played truant from school and was afraid to go home lest he should receive a beating for the offence, a 12-year-old lad who refused to reveal his identity, was found walking along Lakeview avenue about 10.30 o'clock this forenoon, with his clothes soaked and suffering greatly from the cold as a result of falling through the thin ice at Wheeler's pond, Dracut. Although the lad was questioned at length by railroad men and others who happened along, he absolutely refused to give any information concerning his people, and hence was finally taken into a Lakeview avenue store, where his clothes were dried so that he could go home and receive treatment. He then left the store apparently pleased, but did not deign to give his name.

HIS BAIL WAS DEFAULTED

ROBERT S. BROWN, INDICTED FOR FORGERY IN BOSTON, NOW BELIEVED TO BE IN AUSTRALIA

BOSTON, Dec. 14—The $2000 bail bond of Robert S. Brown, a broker and former treasurer of the Southern S. S. Co., who was indicted in 1910 for forging the name of George Otis Draper to a note for $5000, was defaulted in the superior court today. It is believed that Brown is in Australia. Mr. Draper, who is a son of the late Gen. W. F. Draper of Hopedale and Washington, told the district attorney that forged notes amounting to $125,000 have been discovered since Brown pleaded not guilty to the indictment.

Brown was arrested in New York in 1911 and brought here on extradition papers.

TO INVESTIGATE PARDON

REP. WASHBURN INQUIRING INTO PARDON GRANTED JOHN A. HALL, BANK DEFAULTER

WORCESTER, Dec. 14—Rep. Washburn announced today that he is to introduce at the next session of the Massachusetts legislature an order for an investigation of the pardon granted to John A. Hall, the Southbridge bank defaulter, by the governor and council last week. So that the move may be eliminated from politics, Mr. Washburn is to ask that the investigating committee be composed equally of democrats and republicans.

FIRE ON SCHOOL STREET

Box 38 sounded a few minutes past 12 o'clock today and the fire apparatus lumbered over to the Varney block at School street, where a bed was in flames. Beyond burning two mattresses and the bedding little damage was done. It is thought that the fire was started by little children playing with matches.

Fred C. Church carried the insurance on the property at 465 to 475 School street of Mr. Barney which was damaged by fire this noon.

NEW PASTOR AT BILLERICA

Rev. William L. Walsh of Billerica, preached his first sermon yesterday since being installed as pastor of the Unitarian church of Billerica Centre. Mr. Walsh delivered a stirring sermon at the morning service answering the critics of the present day church. A fine musical program was also furnished.

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TURKS DEFEATED ON LAND AND SEA

Russian Army Headquarters Reports the Turks Repulsed Everywhere—Turkish Warship, With 600 Men, Sunk by British

Vigorous thrusts at the German line in France were made again yesterday by the allies, but the reports of successes in today's official statement from Paris are not borne out by the Berlin communication. The French war office states that German positions along the Aisne were demolished, that in the Woevre district a line of trenches 500 yards long was captured and that further progress was made in the Argonne and in Alsace. The German announcement says that nothing of importance has occurred in the west with the exception of a few French attacks along the Meuse and in the Vosges which were repulsed easily.

There have been no important changes in the east, according to the German statement. Despatches from Petrograd, however assert that the Russians have definitely thrown back the German column which was attempting to strike at Warsaw from the north and that as a result the position of the Russians all along their front has been improved.

The French war office announces that in Servia further successes have been won against the Austrians and that in the Montenegrin campaign the Austrians have suffered a reverse.

The German cruiser Dresden, sole survivor of the sea fight in the South Atlantic on Dec. 8 in which four German vessels were sunk is reported to have reached Puenta Arenas on the straights of Magellan without injury.

Reverses for Turkey at the hands of Russia on land and of England on the sea are chronicled in today's official war despatches. Russian army headquarters in the Caucasus reports that the Turks, whose strong resistance to the invaders from the north compelled them to retreat, have now been repulsed everywhere and are being pursued beyond the Euphrats river, suffering heavy losses. The British admiralty announces that the old Turkish battleship Messudieh, which carried 600 men has been destroyed by a British submarine. To accomplish the feat the submarine penetrated the supposedly impregnable Dardanelles.

The recent successes of the Servians partly confirmed from Berlin, are said at Nish to have been extended. It is asserted that the Austrians have been unable to check their retreat before the advancing Servians who are sweeping them out of their country.

A statement attributed to Field Marshal Von Der Goltz, who was sent by the German government to Constantinople to direct the Turkish forces, indicates that in the opinion of this man, one of the leading German military authorities, the war may drag on for a long time. He is quoted as saying that Germany is prepared to carry on the war for years, but is certain to triumph eventually.

FOR SEPARATE PEACE AGREEMENT BETWEEN AUSTRIA AND RUSSIA

LEMBERG, Galicia, Dec. 14—M. Merunovitch, an influential member of the Polish delegation to the Austrian parliament, has caused to be published in a Polish newspaper of Lemberg a request to Poles in court, diplomatic and government circles in Vienna to exert all of their influence toward obtaining an immediate conclusion of a separate peace agreement between Austria and Russia without reference to Germany.

In his announcement, Mr. Merunovitch says that it is the sacred duty of Polish aristocracy to take this step in view of the future interests of Austria and Poland. He expresses the opinion that the present time offers a favorable opportunity for the conclusion of peace with honor for Austria.

FORCES OF THE CZAR INFLICT DEFEAT UPON THE TURKS

PETROGRAD, Dec. 14.—According to a report received this afternoon from the headquarters of the Russian army operating in the Caucasus, the forces of the czar have inflicted a severe defeat upon the Turks, who had previously withstood their invasion. According to the report, the Muscovite army is pursuing the Turks beyond the Euphrates river.

DISCIPLINARY MEASURES AGAINST SOCIALIST MEMBERS OF THE REICHSTAG

BERLIN, Dec. 14.—(Via The Hague and London)—Disciplinary measures against Karl Liebknecht, the socialist leader, for his vote in the reichstag on Dec. 10 against granting the new war credits, were considered today by the executive committee of the socialist party. Dr. Liebknecht's was the only vote in the reichstag for the credit.

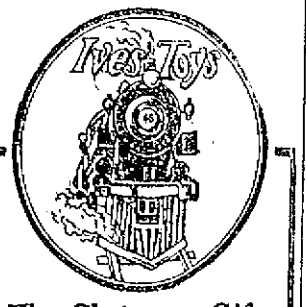
The executive committee of the socialist labor unions has adopted a resolution declaring that any man who refuses to vote for the credits necessary for the defense and independence of the country gives evidence by this act that he is indifferent whether or not hostile armies bring war with all its devastation into his own country. Nobody who is interested in the laboring classes and the country, this resolution continues, could hesitate in his allegiance to the decision of the party which is that in this war when the existence of the fatherland is at stake it is heart and soul with the nation.

SON OF GERMAN CHANCELLOR INJURED AND TAKEN PRISONER BY RUSSIANS

PARIS, Dec. 14.—Reports reaching here from Berne this afternoon state that a son of the German chancellor, Dr. Von Bethmann-Holweg, has been injured seriously at Plotrkow, Russian Poland, and that he has been captured by the Russians.

THE GERMAN CRUISER DRESDEN STEAMED INTO PORT OF PUENTAS ARENAS TODAY

VALPARAISO, Dec. 14.—The German cruiser Dresden, reported stranded on the Argentine coast, steamed into the port of Puentas Arenas today uninjured. This information reached here today in a despatch from Puentas Arenas.



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CITY HALL NEWS

Street Department is Closing up on Sewer Work—Brown on Job

Mayor Murphy and his private secretary, Mr. John Cull, are very much interested in the shipping of the machine gun at the armory to the storekeeper of the U. S. army at Washington. The gun was sent to Lowell some time ago and was supposed to remain here as the make is somewhat obsolete and the government had no further use for it. It has developed, however, that guns of this stamp can be mounted on aeroplanes and are all right for war service. Capt. Jeyes, who has charge of the armory, was preparing the gun for shipment when he was taken sick and sent to the hospital. The shipping and packing instructions received from army headquarters are very explicit and so thorough as to require the services of three or four city carpenters for a day or two.

Closing Up Sewer Work

All sewer work has been attended to with the exception of the Pawtucketville sewer and Mr. Morse has his entire sewer force at work on this sewer. Both ends of the Tolman avenue sewer have been opened up and the commissioner intends to make a speedy clean-up on the big sewer.

Got Directory Back

Some time ago City Clerk Monahan was requested the loan of his directory by William J. Harris, director of the department of the commerce, bureau of statistics and census, in Washington, for the purpose of completing the census of manufacturers in this city. It seems that the federal government in making up the annual appropriation for this department did not set aside anything for city directories and just for that Director Harris had to borrow from cities. Mr. Harris thanked Mr. Monahan very profusely for the loan of his directory and said it was a very nice directory. He also hoped that Mr. Monahan would continue in office as long as he desired to remain there.

Brown Back on Job

George H. Brown, commissioner of finance, was at his desk this morning after a stay of two weeks or more at St. John's hospital. The commissioner is looking well and says he feels all right. He will attend the meeting of the municipal council tomorrow forenoon.

The school board will meet this evening for the purpose of taking action on some financial matters having to do with the department.

John C. Leggat, successful candidate for the school board, has filed his election expense account with the city clerk. It cost Mr. Leggat the round sum of $28 to reach the goal of his ambition.

Y. M. C. I. LADIES' NIGHT

The members of the Y. M. C. I. will conduct the third in a series of ladies' nights at the beautiful society quarters in Stackpole street tomorrow evening and judging from the report of the energetic committee having charge of the treats, the affair will be very successful. Carlin's concert orchestra will furnish the music for the dancing. During intermission the building will be given a thorough inspection, and bowling, pool and card games will be enjoyed. Ladies' nights at the rooms are rapidly gaining in favor.

ECONOMY WATCHWORD

OF COMMITTEE IN PREPARING LEGISLATIVE, EXECUTIVE AND JUDICIAL APPROPRIATIONS

WASHINGTON, Dec. 14.—Economy was the watchword of the appropriations committee in the preparation of the legislative, executive and judicial appropriation bill first of the big supply measures which was reported to the house today. The committee loped off nearly $2,000,000 from the estimates submitted by the various departments, cutting salary allowances all along the line and brought in a measure appropriating $38,744,753.50. The bill provides for more than $16,000,000 salaries of government employes.

The total of the bill shows an increase of $1,128,843 over last year's measure. But this year's measure includes a special appropriation of $2,286,100 and authorizes one thousand additional employes for taking the agricultural census authorized by the law covering the last regular census in 1910.

The committee in its report says that this is an extraordinary expenditure which will come every ten years and maintains, therefore, that this year's measure is materially less than the last appropriation.

The bill contains the usual provision cutting down the mileage allowance of members of congress from ten to five cents a mile. The fight to cut down the mileage allowance has been on for years and although the committee each year reports the reduction in the bill, it is defeated either on the floor of the house or in the senate.

The committee cut $102,260 from the estimates of the secretary of commerce for the work of the bureau of foreign and domestic commerce, although an increase of $25,000 over last year's appropriation was allowed for promoting commerce with South and Central America.

HELD BIRTHDAY PARTY

Little Miss Jeannette Morin, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Fortunat Morin, was agreeably surprised yesterday afternoon, when a number of her young friends called at the home of her uncle, J. Omer Smith, 162 Fourth avenue, and presented her several beautiful gifts on the occasion of her eighth anniversary of birth.

The little girl was taken totally by surprise, but she managed to thank her companions for their token of esteem. Among the gifts was a bouquet containing eight beautiful pinks. A birthday cake was cut and a pleasant afternoon was spent, musical numbers and games being enjoyed. Among those present were Simonne and Laura Gingras, Flore and Berthe Gulmond, Clarisse Brunelle, Irene Harvey, Vivienne and Pauline Langell, Venita Fortin, Marguerite and Andre Bourgeois, Grace Carroll and Albert Morin. When the party broke up the little guests extended a vote of thanks to Mr. and Mrs. Smith for their cordial hospitality and their best wishes to their hostess.

Miss Rose A. Dowd has been elected chairman of the suffragists of precinct 2, ward 1, and Miss Frances Masterson has been chosen secretary.

WOMAN WEAVER BROKE ARM IN TWO PLACES

Catherine White Fell While Working at Loom in Middlesex Mills—Case Heard Today

A rather unusual case coming under the workmen's compensation act was heard before a committee on arbitration in the aldermanic chamber at city hall this forenoon. The employe in the case was Miss Catherine L. White, and the employer the Middlesex mills. The arbitrators were Edward J. Meehan, for the employe; G. Hawthorne Perkins, for the insurer and David T. Dickinson, chairman. James J. Kerwin was counsel for the employe, and Gay Gleason for the insurer, the American Mutual Liability and Insurance company.

Miss White was employed in the Middlesex mills in the capacity of weaver. On Sept. 30, she fell while working about her loom and sustained a double fracture of the left arm at and just above the wrist, supposed to be due to her arm coming in contact with the cloth gear on the loom as she fell, though counsel for the insurer argued that there wasn't any evidence to thoroughly substantiate the theory that her arm was broken by coming in contact with the gear. Miss White could not tell what caused her to fall. She knew she did not slip nor stumble and then came the question: Did the accident arise out of her employment? If she had fallen to the floor and had broken her arm without it coming in contact with the machinery she would not, it was stated, be entitled to compensation. Counsel for the insurer claimed that she fainted and despite the fact that Miss White claimed to have been conscious all of the time, the evidence was somewhat in support of the belief that she had fainted or had experienced a weak spell due to some cause unknown to the woman herself or the investigators.

The amount involved was not very great, but there were technical points that made the case interesting. Miss White said she remembered that while falling that her arm struck the gear. She fell in a sitting position and summoned assistance by pulling the dress of the woman weaving at the next loom. Miss White has not worked since the accident and she has not recovered the use of her arm. Her arm is still bandaged and she is unable to manipulate her fingers. The arm was set, she said, by Dr. James E. Loughran, assisted by Dr. Fred L. Murphy. Neither of the doctors was present at the hearing because of the fact that they were engaged at the hospitals. Miss White said she noticed that after she fell the loom was stopped. She could not say if she stopped it or if it had stopped automatically as it would in the event of a warp breaking. Replying to counsel for the insured, Miss White stated that she had never told anybody that she had stopped the loom before falling. The matter of wages was taken up and Miss White said she had made more than $11 and less than $5 a week. It depended a great deal, she said, on the kind of work and quite frequently it was necessary to wait for warp, so that very often she did not work a full week. It was agreed to place her average wage at $6.50 a week.

Miss White, in reply to question by counsel, said she did not remember having told anybody that just before falling everything became dark. She stated, however, that she might have said it.

Miss Annie F. Williams was the weaver whose skirt Miss White pulled when she fell and Miss Williams testified upon feeling somebody tugging at her skirt, she turned and found Miss White on the floor, in a sitting position. Miss Williams did not see her fall. She called to another weaver, Miss Spillane, to assist her and they helped Miss White to her feet. Witness said Miss White complained about her arm but did not say anything about how she happened to fall. Witness said there were gear scratches on the back of Miss White's forearm and a lump on her wrist.

Nora H. Spillane, with Miss Williams, assisted Miss White to her feet, and she corroborated what Miss Williams had said. Besides the gear marks on the arm and lump on the wrist, Miss Spillane said she noticed that the skin on one of Miss White's fingers had been drawn back from the nail. Miss White, she said, didn't show any signs of having fainted. She complained of her arm, that was all.

The most important part of the evidence offered by Miss Williams and Miss Spillane, however, did not come out until the case was about to close and then they remembered that Miss White's left arm was over and behind the cloth roll. This piece of evidence went a long way in confirming the belief that the arm had come in contact with the machine and the break was due to such contact rather than with the floor.

Bridget L. Ryan, another weaver, testified. She said that she was employed in another room and was called in to assist in caring for Miss White. "I went with her in a carriage to her home in Concord street," said Miss Ryan, "but she didn't tell me how the accident happened."

Miss Ryan had signed a written statement to the effect that on their way to Miss White's house in the carriage Miss White said to her: "Ain't it too bad. I don't realize what has happened." This statement was submitted and Miss Ryan said she would not go back on a statement made on the day of the accident as the matter was fresher in her mind then than at the present time. Miss Ryan, however, maintained that Miss White did not look like a person who had fainted.

William F. Lake, overseer in the Middlesex, testified. He stated that Arthur McQuade, a loomfixer, had told him that Miss White had taken a shock. Witness said he went to Miss White and asked: "Katie, what has happened to you?" He said Katie told him that while standing at the end of her loom something dark came over her eyes and that the next she remembered somebody was helping her away from the loom.

Arthur McQuade, the loomfixer referred to by Mr. Lake, corroborated what Mr. Lake had said relative to Miss White taking a shock. He said he had heard one of the girls say that Miss White had taken a shock, but that upon seeing Miss White he knew it wasn't so. Mr. McQuade said the loom was stopped when he got there and that it looked to him as if somebody had stopped it by accident. He said it was easy to discover when a loom stopped automatically and in this case, he said, the loom did not stop automatically, because the breal was not sprung.

Overseer Lake stated that he had been instructed to offer Miss White a job at "specking." This is work, he said, that can be done with one hand. Specking, he said, means picking specks from cloth, white specks from dark cloth and vice versa. The job, he said, would pay $6.40 a week, and it could be done with one hand. Miss White, however, stated that because of business reasons she would not be able to go to work right away and that when she went to work she wanted to have the use of both hands. The committee finally decided to allow her compensation in the sum of $4 a week until she gets back to her loom.

WHERE'S MRS. HALL, GOLDMAN?

Supt. Welch received a letter from the department of public safety, or in other words the police department, of Philadelphia this morning asking him to locate if possible a woman by the name of Mrs. Elizabeth Hall or Goldman or Goldey, the police there were not sure of her last name.

The woman's relatives have not heard from her for three years and Lowell was the last place where any trace of the woman was known. She has a brother and sister living in Philadelphia who are very anxious to learn her whereabouts.

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SEC. WILSON'S REPORT

Discusses Calumet and Colorado Strikes — Review of the Labor Disputes

WASHINGTON, Dec. 14.—Secretary Wilson of the department of labor, in his annual report, submitted yesterday, expresses the conviction that had the owners of the nine properties in the Calumet copper region and the Colorado coal fields dealt with the strike situations in their inception, "had they been on the ground and personally in charge, there is reason to believe that no strike would have occurred."

"Whatever may have been the responsibility of the workmen for the strike and its incidents," said Secretary Wilson, "the local management cannot be wholly acquitted; and upon the elementary principle of agency, as sound in morals as in law, ultimate responsibility must rest upon the owners."

Principally, Secretary Wilson's report is devoted to a review of the labor disputes the department has successfully mediated during the last year and it defines at some length the principles upon which the department acts in such cases. Of the mediation and conciliation work the report says:—

"Of all the functions of the department of labor which it is yet possible to administer, this one may be reasonably regarded as the most important. Suggesting with reference to labor disputes a development of diplomatic duties in the department of labor analogous to those in the department of state with reference to international disputes, it points to a federal administrative system for promoting and fostering industrial peace; not a peace of the Warsaw order, but one of mutual benefit and good will.

Industrial Disputes

"Primarily the department of labor must conserve in industrial disputes the interests of the wage earners of the United States. Such is its duty under the law of its creation, the first section of which charges it with responsibility for their general welfare while the eighth makes this responsibility specific as to labor disputes. And those interests are exceptional in their magnitude. Not only do wage earners constitute in number more than a third of our total population, but in financial respects also their aggregate interests are vast. It is doubtful if any vocational interests represented in our governmental system exceed in volume of public importance those of the wage earners of the United States.

"But though the department of labor represents primarily the wage-earning interests in labor disputes, its ideal is to make its representation similar in character to that of the department of state, which, while representing the interests of this country in disputes between it and other countries, does so with fairness toward all countries. Accordingly the policy of the department of labor, though it executes its mediation and conciliation functions as the governmental representative of wage-earning interests, is to do so without partisanship or prejudice, but with fairness to every interest concerned.

"It should be understood, therefore, that mediation does not mean arbitration, compulsory or otherwise. Nor is it in any other sense a judicial function. The function is one of negotiation. Neither the secretary nor commissioners of conciliation whom he appoints are arbitrators. Though they may propose arbitration when circumstances seem to call for it, they do not themselves act as arbitrators, and it is contrary to the policy of the department of labor for them to do so.

For Peaceful Settlements

"What the commissioners of conciliation seek to do is to bring employer and employee together, so that they may work out their differences between themselves peacably and amicably; as business men with legitimate differences to adjust. When commissioners fail in that way to get employe and employer together, mediation is resorted to. The commissioners negotiate between representatives of the employe and representatives of the employer in an effort to find some mutually satisfactory basis of agreement. Failing also in that, the commissioners endeavor to get the conflicting parties to agree to a basis of arbitration, the award to decide nothing but the points actually in dispute. Any of those three courses is preferable to a strike.

"When the department is unable, whether through commissioners of conciliation or otherwise, to get the parties to meet and work out their own problems, or to agree upon an adjustment by way of mediatorial negotiation, or to adopt arbitration by arbitrators of their own choosing, then there is nothing further the department can do than to give to the public the information necessary to enable it to pass a fair judgment upon the merits of the dispute.

"It will be seen, therefore, that the qualifications of commissioners of conciliation are not at all judicial, and that criticisms of their having or having had partisan affiliations are based upon a misapprehension of the duty the statute has imposed upon them and upon this department. It is not a reasonable objection to a commissioner of conciliation that he belongs to a workers' organization, nor that he belongs to an employers' organization. His important qualifications are not ignorance of or indifference to the interests of either party or both, but tact, fairness, and good feeling in negotiations in addition to competency with reference to technical aspects of the matters in dispute. Those qualifications among persons having no affiliations with either side are too rare for the practical purposes of mediation and conciliation.

Merits From All Angles

"It is, then, the policy of the department of labor, and has been its custom, to appoint in important cases two or more commissioners of conciliation of the kind just described, so that the secretary may be intelligently advised of the merits of the dispute from all angles on both sides.

"This was done in the case of the Colorado coal strike, one of the commissioners in that case being, as already stated, a miner whose labor affiliations pointed to possible sympathy with the strikers, the other being a mine operator whose business affiliations pointed possibly to sympathy with the mine operators. But both were fair-minded as well as technically competent men. Their joint recommendation, approved by the department and the president and accepted by the strikers, is confidently submitted as evidence of the good faith of the department's commissioners of conciliation and of the wisdom of its general policy in mediation and conciliation work.

"Although the department seldom offers mediation in labor disputes unless solicited to do so, and although this is regarded as the wiser policy at present, yet the statute empowers the secretary to act whenever, in his judgment, the interests of industrial peace may require it to be done; and conditions are conceivable in which it would be advisable for the department to offer its good offices though neither party requested or desired it. In the case, for instance, of a strike of such bitterness as to inspire both sides with a determination to fight to the bitter end, and of such magnitude as to prejudice other industrial interests or to disturb the public at large, it would doubtless be the duty of the department of labor to intervene."

Michigan Copper Strike

The Colorado and Michigan strikes Secretary Wilson dismisses briefly, quoting references he made to them in his last report. Of the Michigan copper strike, he says: "If the managers of the property involved in this strike had dealt with the dispute at its inception, as its principal owners (Messrs. Shaw and Agassiz) might have done had they been on the ground and personally in charge, there is reason to believe that no strike would have occurred. But the local superintendent, doubtless an excellent property manager, appears by the reports to have been a poor manager of men.

"When the employees solicited a conference with him, in order to present grievances, their request was entirely ignored. It appears to have been this treatment that precipitated the strike and kindred treatment that prevented subsequent negotiations for terminating it fairly. No rights of the company could have been injured, nor any prejudice to its business incurred, by a courteous reception of complaints from the employees, followed by removing grievances if real or explaining them away if mistaken.

Management Partially to Blame

"Whatever may have been the responsibility of the workmen for the strike and its incidents, the local management cannot be wholly acquitted; and upon the elementary principle of agency, as sound in morals as in law, ultimate responsibility must rest upon the owners."

Of the Colorado strike the secretary says:

"The coal strike in Colorado, which has necessitated the use of Federal troops, is another conspicuous instance of industrial conflict in which, however heavily the responsibility may rest upon the strikers, it must attach also to the local management of the property involved and therefore to the responsible owners. In its early stages this strike could, as stated in the first annual report, have been settled upon fair terms had the proposals of the department of labor for arbitration by an unbiased board chosen by mutual agreement been promptly accepted."

Mr. Wilson then discusses the distribution of wage earners, saying:

"The welfare of the wage earners of the United States can not be served by mediation of labor disputes alone. Affirmative measures for modifying if not wholly obviating the industrial maladjustments that generate these disputes must be undertaken as well. For this purpose legislation is necessary. Pending such legislation, however, the department is utilizing its present powers as fully as circumstances permit by availing itself of the services of the division of information in the bureau of immigration. This division of that bureau has been specifically empowered by congress to promote a beneficial distribution of immigrants. By its subsequent subordination to the department of labor, charged as this department is with promoting the welfare of the wage earners of the United States, that function may be regarded as having been so far inferentially enlarged as to include citizens within the scope of its intended benefits. The department has therefore, through the division of information entered upon plans of work for improving the opportunities of the wage-earners of the United States, whether citizens or aliens, for profitable employment.

Disputes Cause Idleness

"Excess in the supply of labor over demand for it is a cause of labor disputes which ranks high in importance, if indeed it does not rank as the cause. In colloquial terms the 'jobless man' puts all wage-workers at a disadvantage in bargaining with employers. The 'manless job' is a corresponding colloquialism. If there were a profitable 'manless job' for every 'jobless man' the complete remedy for industrial disputes would be to bring the two together; but whether so complete a correspondence exists or not, no one at all familiar with the problem of seasonal employment and of accidental displacements of wage-earners can doubt that it exists in some degree. There were 'manless jobs' for 'jobless' victims of the Salem fire, and this department helped to bring the two together; there are 'manless jobs' of the seasonal kind on our farms and elsewhere to which this department has been able in some instances to bring 'jobless men.' Insofar as departmental work of this kind can be improved and expanded, the evils of labor disputes will be minimized; and with reference to such work the co-operation of congress is urgently solicited. What is needed is timely and widespread information concerning labor conditions in every part of the country.

"By systematically bringing some 'jobless men' and some 'manless jobs' together on a national scale, the necessary first steps will have been taken toward complete removal of what is perhaps the most potent cause of labor disputes—involuntary unemployment. Even in the taking of those first steps the modifying effect will be progressively realized from the beginning.

"Of course, the labor problem cannot be solved by ameliorative plans such as are here proposed unless the causes of involuntary unemployment are unbelievably superficial and vulnerable; but with seasonal variations of employment nationally adjusted, with accidental disturbances to employment nationally provided for, with individual delinquencies in respect of employment better understood by national public opinion, and with such ameliorations of industrial distress as this department is now preparing to offer, a right beginning will have been made. This work will at least clear the way for dealing effectively with the deeper-rooted and more stubborn and general causes of involuntary unemployment which thoughtful observers of modern industrial conditions seem to recognize in one form or another."

Secretary Wilson renews his last year's recommendation that congress prohibit interstate transportation of armed private police or guards for either side in industrial disputes. Suggestions for general legislation, he says, will be made on occasion. The report reviews at some length the year's work in the various bureaus in the department of labor.

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HE DIED FROM LOCKJAW

RIDER'S DEATH DUE TO HEDGEHOG QUILL.—VERMONT MAN WORKED WHERE ANIMALS WERE KILLED

BRATTLEBORO, Vt., Dec. 14.—Leslie Rider, aged 17, of Marlboro, died at the Memorial hospital yesterday from lockjaw, with which he had been suffering for several days.

While at work two weeks ago flaying a dead horse in a pasture where several hedgehogs had been killed, a quill became imbedded in his knee, and although he paid little attention to it at the time, the injury gradually grew worse.

He is survived by his mother. His father suffered a sunstroke while haying some time ago.

WATER PIPE BURST

A gang of men was sent to a standpipe on Harrison street at 12 o'clock yesterday to check a leak which was caused by the freezing of the pipe. It is said that the standpipe on that street was not shut off this year and the thawing of the snow and ice caused a burst. For several minutes the water poured out of the ground in the vicinity but the water department men promptly located the leak and shut off the street main.

DEATH MYSTERY

Louis Miller Succumbs in Holyoke Hospital—Found Unconscious

SPRINGFIELD, Dec. 14.—As a result of injuries sustained in a mysterious manner shortly after 10 Saturday night near the draw bridge of the Boston & Maine railroad in Willimansett, Louis Miller, aged 45, of Newell street, Willimansett, died yesterday in the Holyoke City hospital. He was picked up by passersby unconscious in a dark spot. He did not regain consciousness.

He was found by Edward Bourbeau and Daniel J. Buckley a short distance from the dry bridge, and because a man was seen running away from that locality a short time ferore it is thought that he was assaulted. However, $30 which he had with him was not taken. The case is being investigated by the Chicopee police and an autopsy wil be held tomorrow.

Miller was employed by the American Thread company of Holyoke as helper on an auto truck.

UNKNOWN MAN KILLED

PAPER FOUND ON BODY PICKED UP AT AYER INDICATES VICTIM BELONGED IN LACONIA

AYER, Dec. 14.—The body of an unknown man, who was evidently killed by a train, was picked up yesterday morning near the tracks of the Worcester, Nashua and Portland division of the B. & M. near Groton.

He was about 60 years old, 5 feet 8 inches tall and weighed 150 pounds. He wore a dark soft velvet hat and dark clothes and a letter "T" was embroidered on his shirt. A slip of paper bearing an address, of which only the word Laconia is distinguishable, was found in his pocket.

A man answering his description inquired Saturday night about trains running toward Nashua, and it is thought he may have fallen from the 4 a. m. Nashua-bound freight yesterday.

PRAISES THE BELGIANS

BARON VON DER GOLTZ SAYS SUCH OPPONENTS SHOULD BE ESTEEMED

BERLIN, Dec. 14.—The correspondent of the Tageblatt in ofia, Bulgaria, telegraphs an interview he had with Field Marshal Baron von Der Goltz while the latter was on his way to Constantinople. Regarding Belgium Baron Von Der Goltz said:

"The situation is normal, the population having convinced themselves that the Germans are not barbarians. Life continues as in peace time and commerce and transportation are getting better.

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Stamford Pastor Comes to Lowell; Sermon on Christian Syndicalism

Strong Sermons Preached at Kirk Street and First Baptist Churches

Rev. Herbert E. Benton of Stamford, Conn., has accepted the call to Grace church, this city, the call having been extended by a unanimous vote of the members at a recent meeting. He will begin his work here about the first of January. In Stamford, Mr. Benton has conducted social forum meetings on similar lines to those started here by Rev. C. R. Skinner.

Speaking on "Christian Syndicalism" at Grace church, Sunday morning, Rev. Clarence R. Skinner said:

"Syndicalism is the French form of labor union; and the recent developments of labor abroad, especially in France, have left the old conservative lines of trade organization, and are organizing labor forces as a whole, as a complete unit in any particular community. Our form of labor organization has heretofore been along horizontal lines, each type of labor in its particular strata; and for this reason it has been difficult to mobilize. Syndicalism is a vertical organization from the apex down to the base, representing the highest type of skilled labor, down to the lowest types. The American form of syndicalism takes expression in the I. W. W.; but let not that immediate experience blind us to the tremendous value and the inevitableness of the movement and the vision that is behind the movement. It seems inevitable that we shall have a vertical organization of labor forces, which shall include all types of labor.

"Our modern society, too, is made up on the same horizontal principle. Human beings are shelved away in certain well defined strata. Syndicalism, therefore, is very fundamental and very necessary, in order to get a more social and reciprocal type of society for the 20th century.

"In our society of the future, there is going to be a process of spiritual and intellectual transfusion. Men of great spiritual and mental vitality are going to pour themselves into those of more restricted sphere and limited experience, until we shall have an average of vital strength and power that shall make our society really democratic; and a spiritual transfusion shall transform this earth into a kingdom of righteousness.

First Baptist Church

Large congregations were the order of the day at the First Baptist church yesterday and they were treated to stirring sermons by Rev. A. C. Archibald. In the morning his theme was: "An Amazing Partnership in a marvelous Enterprise."

The evening sermon was the second in the series upon the general subject of "You," and the preacher proceeded to consider "Your job, your house, your wife and you." This theme, he said was really comprised in the idea of environment.

He said in part:

When a man in sin gets the consciousness of God into him he will be reformed. You will never save the drunkard by abolishing the saloon. He must be led by the consciousness of the power of God. You save a man not by beginning with his conditions, but by beginning with the man himself, and until you have changed the man you cannot save him. To change him he must have a new sense of God in his heart. The place to begin with environment is not on the circumference but in the centre. The decrine of the grace of God is this: Clean up the man. The place to begin the redemption of the community is in the individual soul, of course there is other work to be done. Unless environment has its basis of life no man can realize from it true development into character and godliness. Thoughtless men and women have their lives in God, but they do not develop spiritually because they are dead in trespasses and sins. Some may say they would be Christians if their environment was changed. But God is no more in one place than He is in another. It is in Him, not in Christian surroundings that we live and have our being. The first environment of every man's life is God, but if his spirit is dead he may never know God. Through Jesus Christ he may develop and grow into divine grace. It is in this way that you may know God—through His own blessed Son.

Kirk Street Church

"St. Paul's Theory of Evolution" was Rev. C. A. Lincoln's sermon subject at the Kirk Street church, Sunday morning. He found his inspiration in Romans, 8:19, "The earnest expectation of the creation waiteth for the revelation of the sons of God."

Mr. Lincoln asked if we were not relying more or less upon science to do what we once thought to be the work of religion. He said:

It is with a serious voice and purpose that science says, "Are you hungry? Come unto me and by scientific agriculture I will so multiply the food products of the world that no one need be hungry. Are you thirsty? Come unto me and by scientific measures I will so purify ditch water as to make it as clear, sparkling and healthful as the water of a mountain brook. Are you naked? Come unto me and by cleverly invented machinery I will turn out cloth so cheaply that not the poorest man on earth need go unclothed. Are you sick? Come unto me and by bacteriology, sanitation and scientific study I will banish disease from the earth. If you are in pain, I can relieve your pain with an anaesthetic. Are you in prison? Through the scientific application of the principles of criminology and eugenics I can empty all the jails. Are you poor? Let me apply the science of sociology, scientific temperance instruction, and the science of eugenics to the problem of poverty and it will no longer be true that we have the poor always with us. Are you one who labors and is heavy laden? By clever invention I can lift the heavy burdens of overworked humanity so that one man by pressing a lever can do the work of 100 men. Come unto me, weary humanity, and I will give you rest. Are you troubled with sin and sorrow? Come and I will establish a kingdom of great comfort for you and show you the inherent nobility of human nature."

Christian Endeavor Rally

The annual Junior Christian Endeavor rally of the Lowell Christian union was held in the Gorham Street Primitive Methodist church Sunday afternoon. Miss Mildred M. McKnight, superintendent of the Lowell union, presided. Words of welcome were given by Mrs. Albert Ingham, superintendent of the entertaining church, and by Walter Chase, president of the Lowell C. E. union. Rev. A. Hesford of the Lawrence Street Primitive Methodist church gave an address. Rev. N. W. Matthews spoke briefly. There were 185 juniors present, and 30 adults, making a total of 215.

The complete program was as follows: Voluntary, orchestra of First Primitive Methodist church; hymn, "Onward, Christian Soldiers"; first psalm, congregation; prayer, Rev. A. Hesford; solo and chorus, Miss MacPherson and Calvary Baptist society; remarks, Walter Chase, president Lowell C. E. union; solo, Arthur Hiley; welcome, Mrs. Albert Ingham, supeintendent First P. M. Church society; song, First Baptist society choir; scripture, Immanual Baptist society; solo, Arthur Hiley; 23rd psalm, Molly Kirk; song, Lawrence Street Primitive Methodist society; address, Rev. A. Hesford; song; First Primitive Methodist society; roll call; Blanche Libby, junior secretary; remarks, Rev. N. W. Matthews; hymn, congregation; benediction.

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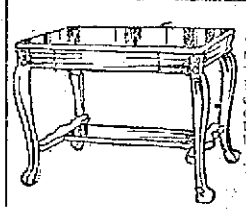

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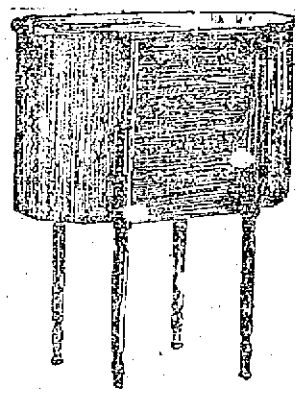

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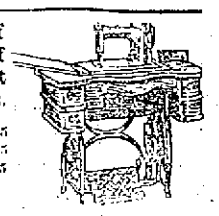

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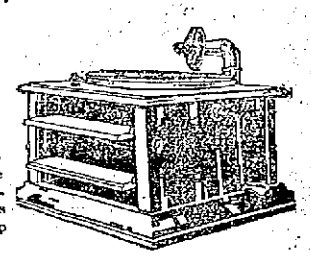

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BY GWEN SEARS

DON'T ALWAYS FACE THE MIRROR

The average woman faces her mirror and fusses over the waves of hair on her forehead, and in her absorption she forgets that not even half of her critics will meet her face to face.

A hat may be completely spoiled by neglecting to watch the side angle, or to take heed that the hair fills all awkward hollows.

Just so with hair itself. Not only is the side view important for the sake of those who view us from one side or the other, but the whole structure of the coiffure of the moment depends upon the profile view.

To have a good profile one must be extremely careful as to the poise of the head. If the head is thrust too far forward it makes the chin too prominent, and if the head settles backward too heavily it gives undue prominence to the throat bone.

Noses, which are the last, but most important part of the profile to consider, are the most difficult members to improve. Noses badly made by nature, are distressing, but the fault may be wonderfully improved by massage and the effect also lessened by the proper arrangement of the hair. Watch your profile carefully with the aid of a hand-glass.

SAW STEAMER HIT MINE

BOSTON, Dec. 14.—Officers of the steamer Sagamore, which arrived yesterday from Liverpool, reported that their vessel was running within a short distance of the steamer Manchester Commerce when the latter struck a German mine off the coast of Ireland and sank.

The steamer Cornelis in port yesterday from Rotterdam was stopped by a British warship in the English channel, but was allowed to proceed.

PRES. HUSTIS SPEAKS

BOSTON, Dec. 14.—President James H. Hustis of the Boston & Maine railroad appealed to employes to be loyal to "our road" at a meeting of the Bay State division, Order of Railway Conductors yesterday.

President Hustis said that the management was trying to deal fairly with the men. He explained that legislation placed certain limits on the compensation of employes, but he thought it possible to conduct a railroad so that it would not be a "football of politics."

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SHEPHERD IS ARRESTED

Young Man Prominent in Missionary Work Held for Police of Norfolk, Va.—The Charge

Walter Shepherd, a missionary living at 24 Hampshire street, was arrested last night on receipt of a telegram by Supt. Welch from Chief C. G. Kiser of Norfolk, Va. The charge against Shepherd was not stated in the telegram although it was brought following Shepherd's disappearance from that city while out on bail.

The arrest of Shepherd was the result of several days' communication between the police of Lowell and Norfolk. According to the report of the Norfolk chief the man arrested here was in the Virginia city some time ago and waged a campaign against the so-called "red light" district.

While carrying on his missionary work Shepherd collected somewhere in the neighborhood of $200, it is charged. He was brought to trial for his collecting this money and while out under bail of $250, suddenly left town. That was the last seen of him by the Norfolk authorities.

Shepherd was greatly surprised when told what he was arrested for. He said that he did collect $140 down in Virginia and was brought to trial for it. While under bail, he said, somebody advised him to skip and he skipped forthwith.

Last night the arrested man refused to go to Norfolk. In the case of a prisoner refusing to leave the state extradition papers are necessary and it was thought at first that this procedure would have to be gone through in this case. This morning, however, Shepherd allowed that he was willing to go to Norfolk and consequently will be taken there as soon as the officers from that city arrive here.

Shepherd is a missionary and has been the founder of two missions here. One in Middlesex street and another in East Merrimack street were supervised by him. He has not been in Lowell long.

DEATHS

SIMPSON—Mrs. Emily J. Simpson, widow of the late Olienthus A. Simpson, formerly of Lowell, died at her home in Main street, Salem, N. H. She leaves a son, Edwin A. Simpson of Lowell, and a daughter, Mary F. Simpson of Salem, N. H.

MARTIN—William J. Martin died on Saturday in New York city, aged 57 years. He leaves his wife, Mrs. Nettie Martin, and one sister, Mrs. Ida Merrill of this city.

LAFOND—Mrs. Corinne (Naurie) Lafond, wife of Calixte Lafond, aged 26 years, 10 months, 13 days, died Saturday evening at the Lowell hospital. She leaves, besides her husband, an infant son; two brothers, George and Stanislas Naurie; also three sisters, Misses Cecile and Regina Naurie and Mrs. Henry Favreau, all of Manchester, N. H. The body was placed aboard the 10.10 o'clock train yesterday morning for Manchester, N. H., where burial took place in the family lot in St. Augustine's cemetery. Undertakers Amedee Archambault & Son had charge of local arrangements.

DRUMM—Mrs. Mary Drumm died on Saturday at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Hans C. Bakke, 59 Fay street, aged 71 years. She leaves, besides her daughter, one son, Francis J.; one brother, James Murray; also three grandchildren, George H., Mary C. and Francis J. Bakke.

OWENS—Hugh Owens, an esteemed resident of Centralville and a member of St. Michael's church, died Saturday night at his home, 864 Bridge street. He leaves a wife; two daughters, Margaret and Mary; one sister, Mrs. Ellen McHafferty in Ireland. Deceased was for many years an employe of the J. C. Ayer Co. He was a member of the Quarter Century club, and of the Holy Name sodality of St. Michael's church.

PAGE—Mrs. Annie Page died this morning at her home, 5 Hampshire place, aged 25 years. Mrs. Page was a devout attendant at St. Michael's church. She is survived by her husband, George Page, and two children, also her mother, Mrs. Bridget Kennedy; four brothers and three sisters in England.

McDERMOTT—Mrs. Ellen McDermott died yesterday at the Coram house private hospital. Deceased had been a resident of this city for many years and a member of the Sacred Heart church. She leaves one son, Frank, of Seattle, Wash.; one sister, Mrs. Mary Wood; a daughter-in-law, Mrs. Mary J. McDermott; also two grandchildren, Donald McDermott of Seattle, Wash., and Etta A. Dwyer of Providence, R. I. The body was taken to the rooms of Undertakers Higgins Bros.

COSTELLO—Katherine Costello, a well known resident of this city, and a former member of St. Peter's parish, died this morning at the home of her nephew, Thomas J. Corbett, 361 Concord street. She leaves to mourn her loss one sister, Mrs. Sarah Corbett, a niece, Mrs. Mary Townsend, and two nephews, Martin and Thomas J. Corbett, all of this city.

DUFFY—Matthew Duffy, aged 80 years, a well known resident, died Sunday at St. John's hospital. He is survived by a daughter-in-law, Mrs. John J. Crowley, formerly Mrs. William Duffy. The body was taken to the chapel of James F. O'Donnell & Sons.

BARIBEAU—Irene, aged 4 years, 4 months and 26 days, died yesterday at the home of the parents, John and Olive Baribeau, in Martin street. On account of death being caused by contagious disease, burial took place yesterday afternoon in St. Joseph's cemetery. Funeral arrangements were in charge of Undertakers Amedee Archambault & Son.

FUNERAL NOTICES

McDERMOTT—The funeral of Mrs. Ellen McDermott will take place Tuesday morning, Dec. 15, at 9 o'clock from the funeral parlors of Higgins Bros. on Lawrence street. High mass of requiem will be celebrated at the Sacred Heart church at ten o'clock. Burial will take place in St. Patrick's cemetery. Funeral in charge of Undertakers Higgins Bros.

DRUMM—The funeral of Mrs. Mary F. Drumm will take place Tuesday morning, Dec. 15, at 8 o'clock from the home of her daughter, Mrs. Hans C. Bakke, 59 Fay street. High mass of requiem will be celebrated at the Sacred Heart church at 9 o'clock. Burial will take place in St. Patrick's cemetery. Funeral in charge of Undertakers Higgins Bros.

OWENS—The funeral of Hugh Owens will take place tomorrow morning, Dec. 15, at 9 o'clock from his home, 864 Bridge street. At 10 o'clock a solemn high mass of requiem will be sung at St. Michael's church. Burial in St. Patrick's cemetery in charge of James F. O'Donnell & Sons.

DUFFY—The funeral of Matthew Duffy will take place tomorrow morning (Dec. 15th) at 8 o'clock from the chapel of J. F. O'Donnell & Sons. At 9 o'clock a high mass of requiem will be sung at St. Peter's church. Burial in St. Patrick's cemetery in charge of James F. O'Donnell & Sons.

COSTELLO—The funeral of Katharine Costello will take place Wednesday morning, Dec. 16th, from the home of her nephew, Thomas J. Corbett, 361 Concord street, at 8.30 o'clock. Mass will be celebrated at the Immaculate Conception church at 9 o'clock. Burial in St. Patrick's cemetery. Undertaker George B. McKenna in charge.

FUNERALS

MARSTON—The funeral of Dr. Joseph N. Marston was held Saturday afternoon from his home, 775 Bridge street. Rev. C. A. Lincoln conducted the services. There were many floral offerings. The bearers were Almon Harmon, Dr. Clarence B. Livingston, Russell Fox, Frank K. Stearns, Dr. William Jones and Clark T. Cutting of Boston. Burial was in the Lowell cemetery in charge of Undertaker John A. Weinbeck. Delegations were present from Kilwinning lodge, A. F. and A. M., Mt. Horeb Royal Arch chapter and Sons of the American Revolution.

WILSON—The funeral services of Mrs. Elizabeth Wilson, who died in Tewksbury, Dec. 9, were held Saturday at the grave in the Tewksbury cemetery. The services were conducted by Rev. F. L. Briggs of Boston and the bearers were relatives of the deceased. The arrangements were under the direction of Undertaker John A. Weinbeck.

HARRIS—The funeral of Eugene A. Harris was held from the home of his brother, H. Emmons Harris, 238 Liberty street, yesterday afternoon. The services were conducted by Rev. C. E. Fisher, D. D., pastor of the First Universalist church. The Mendelssohn male quartet sang appropriate selections. The bearers were Robert Mulno, T. Mooney, J. Farrell, William Fuller, B. Osburn and W. D. Howell. Burial was in the family lot in the Edson cemetery, where the burial service was read by Rev. Dr. Fisher. The funeral was under the direction of Undertakers Young & Blake.

BROWN—The funeral services of Mrs. Mary F. Brown were held yesterday afternoon at 2 o'clock at her home, 168 Grand street. The services were conducted by Rev. Charles H. Ellis pastor of the Central Baptist church at Chelmsford. There were a number present from the First Baptist church, where the deceased was a regular attendant for many years, also a delegation from the King's Daughters of the Central Baptist church at Chelmsford, with whom she was associated during her residence there. The bearers were Walter O. Wright, William Dana, Clarence Dana and William Landers. Burial was in the family lot in the Edson cemetery, under the direction of Undertaker Perham of Chelmsford.

CARR—The funeral of David Carr was held yesterday afternoon from the home of his daughter, Mrs. Walter Taylor, 16 Liberty street. The services were conducted by Rev. N. W. Matthews, pastor of the Gorham Street F. M. church. Delegations were present from Post 120, G. A. R., Betsy Ross circle, 24, Ladies of the G. A. R., Mary E. Smith tent, Daughters of Veterans and the following members of Oberlin lodge, I. O. O. F., read the burial service of the order and acted as bearers: W. B. Maynard, J. O. Brooks, Charles Rosender and George Desforges. The floral offerings included a pillow from the wife and other tributes from the neighbors, Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Taylor and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Richard Littlehale of Fitchburg, Daughters of Veterans, Mr. and Mrs. W. P. Wiley, Mrs. E. F. Calder and Mrs. Dickey, Mr. and Mrs. M. A. Taylor of Providence, Mr. and Mrs. N. A. Phillips, Mrs. William Rogers and family and Mrs. E. P. Mooney. Burial was in the Edson cemetery in charge of Undertaker John A. Weinbeck.

SMITH—The funeral of Mrs. Margaret Smith was held yesterday afternoon at 2.30 o'clock from her home, 11 Simpson place. Services were held at St. Peter's church at 3 o'clock conducted by Rev. Dr. D. J. Kelcher. The bearers were Patrick Corkery, Charles F. McGrath, John Devine, Frank O'Neil, David Ferguson and Philip McGowan. Among the floral offerings was a pillow from the family and other tributes from the Corkery family, Michael Monahan and family, Charles McGrath, Michael McCarthy, John Mammoon, Kendall family, Miss Crosby, Miss Higgins, Miss Chitty, Rita Nawn and Molly Bradley, Mitchell family, Ferguson family, Annie O'Neil, Mabel Sheehan, Josephine McHugh, Nellie and Mary O'Dea and Mr. and Mrs. Connell. Burial was in the family lot in St. Patrick's cemetery, where the committal prayers were read by Rev. Dr. Kelcher. The arrangements were in charge of Undertaker John F. Rogers.

INGLIS—The funeral of the late John Inglis took place this morning from his late home, 102 Beech street, and was largely attended. The cortege proceeded to St. Michael's church where at 9 o'clock a high mass of requiem was sung by Rev. Francis J. Mullin. During the services the church was well filled with many of the older parishioners, who had gathered to pay their last tribute of respect to the deceased. There were many beautiful floral offerings. Among them was a pillow inscribed "Husband and Father" from the family, and pieces from the grandchildren, clerks of J. J. McCausland & Co., Harvard Brewing Co., J. J. McCausland and Edward R. Morris, Joseph Burns, Thomas Boyle and sister Gallagher family, Josephine and Geo. O'Meara, Mr. and Mrs. J. L. McDonald, Miss E. Jardine, Mr. and Mrs. R. A. Griffiths; spiritual bouquets, Mrs. McKinley, Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Keith and Mr. Walter Inglis. The bearers were Messrs. Hugh Cramer, John McGuirk, James Ready, John Corrigan and William Corbett. Interment was in the family lot in St. Patrick's cemetery, where Rev. Fr. Mullin read the committal prayers at the grave. Funeral Director James W. McKenna was in charge.

DALLY—The funeral of the late Miss Mary Dally took place this morning at 8.30 o'clock from her late home, 83 Elm street, and was largely attended by sorrowing relatives and friends. The funeral cortege proceeded to St. Peter's church where at 9 o'clock a high mass of requiem was sung by Rev. Fr. Crayton. Among the floral tributes was a pillow inscribed "Sister," from the sisters. The bearers were Hugh Roarke, William Smith, Charles McCarthy, John Glynn, John O'Dea and James Maguire. Burial was in St. Patrick's cemetery, where the final prayers were read by Rev. Fr. Crayton. Undertakers M. H. McDonough Sons in charge.

TEIXEIRA—The funeral of Maria Teixeira took place this afternoon at 2.30 o'clock from the home of her parents, Joao and Rosa Teixeira, 55 Charles street. Services were held at St. Anthony's church at 3 o'clock, Rt. Bishop Henry Da Silva officiating. Burial was in St. Patrick's cemetery. Undertakers M. H. McDonough Sons in charge.

CUTRESS—The funeral of Alice V. Cutress took place this afternoon at 2 o'clock from the home of her parents, William and Annie Cutress, Woburn street, Tewksbury. Burial was in St. Patrick's cemetery. Undertakers M. H. McDonough Sons in charge.

HOLTON—The funeral of Mrs. Ann Holton took place from her late home, 18 Brooks street, at 8.30 o'clock this morning. Services at St. Patrick's church at 9 o'clock. Rev. Fr. Kerrigan officiated at the mass. There were many floral offerings, including a pillow from family and pieces from the Broadway Social club; pillow, employes of Hoott cloth room. The bearers were Mr. Michael Kelly, Mr. Walter Shanahan, Mr. Mathew Gill, and Mr. Dennis A. Murphy. Interment was in St. Patrick's cemetery. Fr. Kerrigan read the committal prayers at the grave. Funeral was in charge of Funeral Director Charles H. Molloy.

MANNING—The funeral of Miss Ann Manning took place this morning from the funeral parlors of J. J. O'Connell, 658 Gorham street at 8.15 o'clock and was largely attended by many sorrowing relatives and friends. The funeral cortege proceeded to the Immaculate Conception church where a funeral mass of requiem was sung at 9 o'clock by Rev. Owen McQuaid, O. M. I. There were many beautiful floral tributes, including pieces from Mrs. Berard and family, Mrs. McGrath and family and others. The bearers were Messrs. Peter Brew, Samuel Harden, Joseph Barrows, Michael Spellacy. Burial took place in the family lot in St. Patrick's cemetery where the last sad rites of the Catholic church were read by Rev. Owen McQuaid, O. M. I. Undertaker J. J. O'Connell in charge.

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INDUSTRIAL AND STORE NEWS

The Massachusetts state branch of the International Union of Steam and Operating Engineers held its semi-annual convention in Odd Fellows temple yesterday. There were delegates present from Boston, Quincy, Lynn, Worcester, Salem, Springfield, Brockton, Haverhill, Lawrence, Taunton and Lowell.

The convention was formally opened at 10.30 o'clock by John H. Smith of Lowell, who addressed the visitors and welcomed them to the Spindle City. Mayor D. J. Murphy was afterwards introduced and made a short address.

Before a ballot was taken for officers, President Thomas B. Constant asked to be retired from the duties of the office. President Constant had served at the head of the organization for the past six years and felt that it was about time that some other member should assume the responsibilities of the position. The organization tendered a rising vote of thanks to the retiring president, whose untiring work has in many ways been responsible for the high standing of the organization. Officers for the new year were then balloted for with the following result:

Frank D. Wheeler, Salem, president; Ernest P. Campbell, vice president; A. W. Hersome, Lowell, secretary; James L. Wilmarth, Somerville, treasurer.

A large amount of routine business was transacted following the election, and practically all proposed legislation was referred to the legislative committee.

Positive action was taken on the bill prohibiting a public corporation from selling power for less than five per cent. above cost of production. This bill is designed to prohibit power companies from giving easy rates to large consumers and high rates to small consumers. This practice by the corporations has been an unnecessary hardship upon the small consumers.

The convention voted to endorse the candidacy of Thomas W. Bryan of Boston for a position on the Gas and Electric commission of Massachusetts and the secretary was instructed to notify Gov. Walsh on the action taken.

The following committees were appointed:

Resolutions, A. M. Huddell, Boston; Robert McVille, Quincy; Patrick German, Boston.

Auditors, E. N. Bean, Brockton; C. J. Collins, Salem; W. A. Parker, Haverhill.

Officers' reports, B. D. McGrath, Boston; Alcide Vlaise, Holyoke.

Legislation, A. M. Huddell, Boston; chairman; William Beck, Everett; Elmer Humphrey, Haverhill; Thomas Constant, Boston; A. W. Hersome, Lowell.

Press, A. W. Hersome and J. H. Muffett, Lowell; J. J. Thompson, Worcester.

Arthur M. Huddell of Boston conducted the installation exercises.

The convention voted to send a letter of sympathy to W. J. Brady, delegate from worcester, who was prevented from attending by sickness.

The visiting delegates were royally entertained at the Richardson hotel, where dinner was served at the noon hour. The committee in charge of the reception of the deelgates was warmly congratulated by the out-of-town men. This committee included: John Smith, Joseph H. Muffet, Edward Allard and Louis Pare.

The overseer who boasts of his independence knows that he knows that there is not enough of it to go around.

When an overseer finds himself down on his luck he ought to get up on his energy.

Miss Ruth Paul and Margaret Angus of the Appleton company have returned from a two days' visit to Lynn.

John King of the J. W. Barry Shoe company, is longing for the return of the ladies' nights. Cheer up, John, we'll have one some time this week.

The Loomfixers' union will hold a meeting tonight in Carpenters' hall in the Runels building. President Pierre Coulu will occupy the chair.

Paddy McGowan of the Middlesex Co., will recuter the basketball arena this week, having been signed up by the Y. M. C. I. 2nd team.

The members of the Y. M. C. I. will conduct the third in a series of ladies' nights at the rooms of the society in Stackpole street tomorrow night.

John Moran of the Federal Shoe Co. made quite an impression as a football player in the aquatic games held at Spaulding park Saturday afternoon.

Secretary Charles Farrell of the Manufacturers Bowling league is trying hard to arrange a game with the city league champs, but so far his efforts have proved unavailing.

William Berry of the Bigelow Hartford Carpet company, is looking for the speedy return of basketball at the rooms. Bill will don a suit this season.

Andrew Livingston of McCartney's Apparel shop is one of the most popular young clerks in town. Andrew will soon recenter the limelight in athletics and here he is bound to shine.

The stores will remain open every night next week, but this is no reason why the Christmas shopping shouldn't be done early. From now on will be a trying period for the clerks.

James Coyne of the Kennedy's Butter store, is a regular attendant at the Wauneset camp every Sunday. Camp life always appealed to Jim, and in all probability he is trying hard to stave off the winter.

The coming basketball game between the C. Y. M. L. 2nd team and the Belvidere quintet is attracting much favorable comment. Manager Ford of the Acre boys is particularly enthusiastic and states his team will be prepared for the battle of their lives.

Peter Golden of the American Hide & Leather company, is another who in league with Jack Quinlan is responsible for the sudden exodus of rabbits out around Tewksbury. Pete is noted as a crack shot and has never been known to miss.

George Clark, employed by the Bay State Street Railway Co., was a little off form in his recent match with Kempton. The city bowling champ, and avers that he will do better next time. George is one of the most consistent bowlers in the city, which is more than a long shot in his favor.

Quite a gathering of young ladies employed at Page's have hired a couple of private alleys of one of Lowell's enterprising proprietors and will conduct a bowling tournament during the winter months. It is said that Kempton, Myrick, Pete Regan and other bowling celebrities had better look to their laurels as some of the young women are quite adept at the winter pastime.

The J. C. Ayer Co.

The J. C. Ayer company, although dull at this time, like most other factories in the city, is preparing for good business next year. "In spite of the war," says Dr. Stowell, "the business of the J. C. Ayer company has been better for the past fiscal year than during the preceding year."

Presented Bracelet

About 40 friends, employes of the Shaw hosiery, gathered at the home of Miss Blanche Foote last Friday evening, the occasion being her 16th birthday, and presented her a beautiful gold bracelet. The presentation was made by Mr. William Vincent. Refreshments were served and games were enjoyed, after which a musical program was carried out. A parody on "You Made Me Love You," was sung by Mr. Wilfred Carpentier, "When You Wore a Tulip and I Wore a Rose," by Fred Greenleaf, "Dreaming Of You," by James Glynn, piano solo by Miss Ida Richards, violin and banjo solos by Henry McKay and Claude Foote, a duet by Jack McAndrews and Mr. Benson, whistling solo by William Carr, "Down By the Old Mill Stream," by Ted Foote, recitation, Frank Donnelly. The party broke up a late hour wishing Miss Foote many more happy and pleasant birthdays.

Overseers' Convention

The 32d annual convention of the National Association of Overseers held in Boston recently goes into history as the most satisfying and successful event in the life of this important organization. For the first time in many years the members seemed to realize the importance of their organization, and the dignified and businesslike procedure speaks well for the future and gives much encouragement to the serious-minded men who have labored hard to make the association what it ought to be. Let the manufacturers, overseers and employes become organized and our labor disputes will not be so frequent. Whatever protests arise can be then speedily settled by means of arbitration. This was one of the planks in the platform of the A. F. of L. convention held recently in Philadelphia, the convention saying that all bodies should be organized.

COTTON EXPORTS

Germany During Last 4 Months Received 1052 Bales of U. S. Cotton

WASHINGTON, Dec. 14.—Germany during the last four months received only 1052 bales of American cotton, 1000 bales of which were sent last month, as shown today by census bureau statistics. November's total cotton exports were slightly more than one-half as much as November a year ago, while the shipments abroad during the last four months showed a decrease of 2,801,000 bales.

Cotton used in the United States during November showed a falling off compared with the same month last year, and the quantity of cotton on hand Nov. 30 in independent warehouses was 1,747,000 bales more than at that time last year.

Exports were 760,929 bales against 1,501,259 last year and for the four months 1,405,949 against 4,206,650 a year ago.

Imports were 13,275 bales against 7251 a year ago and for the four months 57,525 against 28,084 last year.

Cotton spindles active numbered 30,441,315 against 30,040,336 a year ago.

Linters consumed was 25,739 bales against 26,242 last year and for the four months 107,000 bales against 110,000 last year: on hand in manufacturing establishments 78,373 bales against 55,823 a year ago, and in independent warehouses 56,809 against 34,541 a year ago.

Linters exported was 7267 bales and for the four months 14,064 bales.

PERSONALS

Mr. Norris L. Tibbetts of this city, a graduate of the local high school, has been elected choister of the senior class of Harvard college.

Guests from Whitinsville, Worcester and Fitchburg were present at the silver wedding anniversary of Mr. and Mrs. George N. Scott, held at their home, 238 Chelmsford street, Saturday night. Rev. J. M. Craig of the First Presbyterian church was the guest of honor. Mr. and Mrs. Scott were born in Scotland and were married in Lowell.

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PARIS OFFICIAL REPORT

SAYS GERMAN ATTACKS IN REGION OF AISNE WERE REPELLED.

PARIS, Dec. 14.—The French official statement given out in Paris this afternoon reports comparative quiet in Flanders and artillery exchanges of relatively minor importance elsewhere. In the Meuse, German batteries are said to be moving to the north. In the Woevre district the French captured a trench and repulsed two counter attacks. The advance of the French line into Alsace has brought it to a point north of Altkirsch and about ten miles to the east of the frontier.

"There has been nothing of importance to report between the sea and the Oise.

"In the region of Aisne to the northwest of Soupier, the enemy bombarded violently our entrenchments. We replied and demolished his positions. There were no infantry attacks from one side or the other.

"Our artillery destroyed an important field work of the enemy in the vicinity of Ailles.

"In the Argonne at the forest of La Grurie we have made slight progress by the use of mines. There were no attacks from the enemy.

"On the heights of the Meuse there has been violent cannonading. Batteries of the enemy would appear to have been moved to positions further north.

"In the Woevre district after having occupied a line of entrenchment along a front of 500 yards in the forest of Mortmare our troops repulsed two violent counter attacks.

"In Alsace our advance has brought our front to a line that passes 425 yards to the north of Steinbach, thence to Pont D'Asbach and thence to Pont De Brinighoefen, 1500 yards to the west of Eglingen.

"Servia: During the days of Dec. 10, 11 and 12 the enemy continued to retire along the entire front. The Servian advance guards have progressed as far as Velbil and Bosniak in the direction of Shabts, and as far as Zavlakla in the direction of Loznica."

REV. E. F. PEMBER BURIED

BANGOR, Me., Dec. 14.—Simple services took place at the home yesterday for Rev. Elmer F. Pember, who shot himself while temporarily deranged Thursday. Rev. Ashley A. Smith of the First Universalist church, of which Mr. Pember was long time a pastor and his last charge before his retirement from the ministry, officiated.

The funeral was private and limited to close friends of the family. The bearers were Dr. D. W. Maxfield, Manley G. Trask, Dr. G. F. Thomas, S. A. Kingsbury, Fred E. Maxfield, F. Parker Denace, Charles H. Adams and Frank J. Cole. Burial was in Mt. Hope cemetery.

RED CROSS SEALS

Red Cross Christmas seals are now on sale at many of the down-town stores and merchants report that there are many purchasers for the little stickers. The proceeds of the sales are devoted to the fight against tuberculosis in all parts of the country.

U. S. TREASURY CHECK NO. 141620 lost Saturday night in the Traders bank or vicinity. Reward for information or return to Box D, Sun Office.

TRADING WAS NORMAL

DURING EARLY HOURS—NEW YORK EXCHANGE WAS CROWDED WITH BROKERS

NEW YORK, Dec. 14.—Trading in stocks which was resumed last Saturday after four months of idleness, continued in a normal manner today. There was again a very large attendance of brokers on the floor of the stock exchange.

Metal shares were the feature of the early dealings, Amal. Copper, Tenn. Copper, Utah Copper, Nevada, Utah, Inspiration and American Smelting advancing one to two points on comparatively large transactions.

Coal shares, such as Reading and Lehigh Valley, added to last Saturday's notable movement, together with St. Paul, these stocks gaining one to one and a half points. Only two issues of prominence, Penna. and Atchison manifested heaviness, both recording fractional declines at the outset.

TO AVOID EXTRA SESSION

ADMINISTRATION LEADERS WANT THIS SESSION OF CONGRESS ADJOURNED BY MARCH 4

WASHINGTON, Dec. 14.—Administration leaders enter upon the second week of the concluding session of the 63d congress with a determination to complete the legislative tasks confronting them by March 4 next. The president made it known that he wishes to avoid an extra session next spring and summer and the democratic chieftains of both houses are as anxious as the president that the country should have a rest from national legislation.

Arrangements already have been made in both houses for night sessions to clean up on calendar measures.

While no special investigation of the military preparedness of the United States for war, as projected by Senator Lodge and Representative Gardner, seems to be in prospect, the subject will continue to be discussed before regular congressional committees and the house committee on naval affairs will resume its consideration of the appropriations bill today, with Secretary of the Navy Daniels again on the stand.

Military affairs will be further considered by the house military committee, which expects to get the army appropriation bill into shape today.

In the senate, the immigration bill, with its literacy test for aliens, is the unfinished business.

Its champions insist that there are enough votes to put it through.

PRESIDENT MEETS DANIEL HOOD

WASHINGTON, Dec. 14.—President Wilson today shook hands with Daniel Hood of Ipswich, Mass., who has met every president since James K. Polk.

7-20-4 R. O. SULLIVAN'S

Packed in boxes of twenty-five make a desirable Holiday gift for a smoker. On sale by all first-class cigar and drug stores. Largest selling brand of 10c Cigars in the world. Factory, Manchester, N. H.

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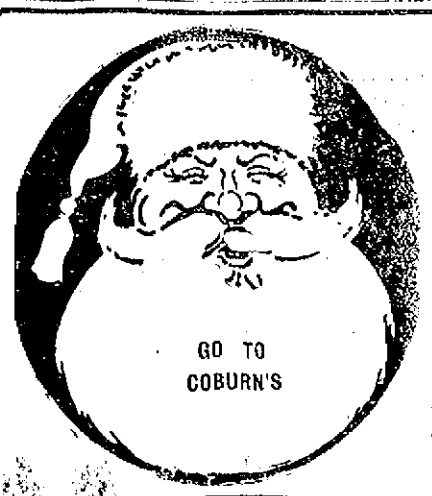

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SHOOTING AT LAWRENCE

UNSOLVED PUZZLE — SPINA SAYS HE PURSUED MAN WHO HELD HIM UP

LAWRENCE, Dec. 14.—The police have not unraveled to their satisfaction the circumstances surrounding Saturday night's shooting in the Italian section at Newbury and Common sts., in which Joseph Marka, who claims 162 Dudley street, Boston, as his home, received a bullet wound in his right arm.

Vencenzo Spina, the Common street storekeeper, who was taken into custody with a revolver in his possession, declares that he was in pursuit of highwaymen, who had held him up on the steps of his home, in the rear of 40 Common street. He said that he fired four shots into the air from a revolver which one of his alleged assailants dropped in attempting to escape, after Spina had aroused the neighborhood by his cries for help.

Policeman O'Brien also joined in the fusilade when he set out to overhaul Marka, but he declares that he fired toward the ground.

The shooting attracted hundreds of persons who, however, kept at a distance from the danger zone until the firing ceased.

Marka's story is to the effect that he was in the alleyway near Spina's home in search of the mother of an acquaintance who lives in Boston. He disclaimed any participation in the holdup and said that he was trying to escape in flight when Spina started shooting.

The police are inclined to discredit both versions of the affair. Spina secured bail pending arraignment in the police court this morning.

SLASHED AND FIRED UPON

ATTLEBORO MAN LOST TWO FINGERS IN AFFRAY—ASSAILANT ESCAPED

MANSFIELD, Dec. 14.—John Calandrella of Attleboro was held up on North Main street last night by a man whom Calandrella says he knows only as Guy, and severely slashed with a knife. Calandrella came to Mansfield to visit Ralph Peluche on Angell street. At 7.30 he started for the railroad station in company with Peluche. The man suddenly appeared before him with a long knife. The Attleboro man put up his hands to ward off the plow and two fingers were severed from his right hand and the hand gouged. The assailant then fired several shots from a revolver at both Calandrella and Peluche, but none took effect. Peluche carried a baby in his arms.

The assailant then made a hurried escape. Chief of Police Nelson and Patrolman Kennedy scoured the North End, but at a late hour had not captured the man.

Calandrella was attended by Dr. Sullivan and later was sent to the Massachusetts General hospital. Blood-poisoning is feared. From the Attleboro man it was learned that he and his assailant had trouble a long time ago over a girl. A John Doe warrant was issued for the arrest of the assailant, who came to Mansfield recently to work on the new reservoir.

The many friends of Arthur Turcotte will be grieved to learn he is confined to his home in Fletcher street with a severe illness.

VERY NEW EVENING WAISTCOATS

are shown today for the first time—made from brilliant mercerized fabrics, some with white satin facings and moonstone buttons. Others piped with black and jet buttons and also the new "once over" with broad collar—these in addition to our regular white Marseilles and Pique Dress Waistcoats.

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SOME INTERESTING NOVELTIES IN LEATHER GOODS FROM MARK CROSS & CO., LONDON

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166 Central Street

FIRING ACROSS BORDER

THREE PERSONS WERE STRUCK BY SHRAPNEL BULLETS AT NACO, ARIZONA, YESTERDAY

NACO, Ari., Dec. 14.—Three persons were struck by spent shrapnel bullets here yesterday, coming from the siege of Naco, Sonora.

The reported order from Provisional President Gutierrez for Gov. Jose Maytorena to cease his attacks if they endangered Americans is still reported "not received."

The men struck were E. H. Kuck and Jose Martinez. Their injuries were not serious. Mrs. Jose Martinez was severely wounded by a bullet, which pierced the wall of her home. Her husband was struck a short time previous.

Maytorena still purposes, it is said, to carry out his plans for a final attack Tuesday. He is, meanwhile, occupying his men with persistent firing from the south, which keeps American Naco in constant danger.

A carload of artillery ammunition was received by Maytorena today, and Hill caused the consumption of some of it by drawing the enemy's fire, while giving his own new 75-millimeter guns, received yesterday, a tryout. The gun practice resulted in placing one shell—which did not explode—squarely in the center of Maytorena's main camp. Maytorena then moved his camp.

Hill reported one man killed.

The reinforced border patrol, under command of Brig. Gen. Tasker H. Bliss, continued preparations for possible action.

GEN. CARRANZA'S REPLY

WASHINGTON, Dec. 14.—Gen. Carranza's reply to the warning from the United States government that force would be used if necessary to stop firing into American territory by belligerent Mexican factions, reached the state department last night. Secretary Bryan said that he did not know the nature of the reply, as the message came in code and had not been deciphered.

In a statement at Vera Cruz Saturday night Carranza declared that if the United States employed force to stop the firing at Naco, "it will be considered an unfriendly act, notwithstanding the friendly motives cloaking the act."

RELIEF SHIP AT ROTTERDAM

AMSTERDAM, Dec. 14.—The Norwegian steamer Oblendez, laden with foodstuffs, for the Belgians arrived at Rotterdam today from New York.

STEAMER ARRIVES

NEW YORK, Dec. 14.—Arrived steamer Patria from Marseilles.

CARD OF THANKS

We wish to extend our heartfelt thanks to many friends and especially to the employes of the Mohair Plush mill, who in the hour of our bereavement, offered us their sympathy, their aid and floral tributes. We deeply appreciate the kindly efforts to lighten our burden of sorrow, and we will ever hold them one and all in loving and grateful remembrance.
(Signed) Mrs. Elizabeth Bennie, Miss Etta Buke.

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All the new books to choose from. Below are listed a few:

The New Medical World...$1.50
The Boy Mechanic.....$1.50
Sam Lloyd's Puzzle.....$1.00
The Busy Bo-Peeps.....$1.00

Our list of Popular Fiction this year is larger and better than ever, as a glance of the list below will convince you:

The Wood Carver of Lympus.
Good Indian.
The Little Shepherd of Kingdom Come.
The Trail of the Lonesome Pine.
Their Yesterdays.
That Printer of Udell's.
The Calling of Dan Mathews.
The Shepherd of The Hills.
The Winning of Barbara Worth
The Awakening of Helena Richie.
From the Valley of the Missing.
The Common Law.
Janet of the Dunes.
From the Car Behind.
Halcyon.
The Reason Why.
White Fang.
The Son of the Wolf.
Burning Daylight.
Frau.
Ben Hur.
Call of the North.
The Heather Moon.
The Iron Woman.
Over the Pass.
Joyce of the North Woods.
A Girl of the Limberlost.
Freckles.
Capt. Warren's Ward.
The Postmaster.
The Woman Haters.
The Depot Master.
The Rise of Rosco Paine.
Cap'n Eri.
Keziah Coffin.
Cape Cod Stories.
Partners of the Tide.
Mr. Pratt.
Cy Whitaker's Place.
Lavender and Old Lace.
A Spinner in the Sun.
The Master's Violin.
Old Rose and Silver.
The Mistress of Shenstone.
The Valliants of Virginia.
Blindness of Virtue.
Stop Thief.
The Melting of Mollie.
The Harvester.

Bibles from.....89c to $2.98 | Prayer Books from 10c to $2

TESTAMENTS—ALL PRICES

Peloubet's Select Notes, $1.00
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Dictionaries at all prices.
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We are offering our largest and best line of $1.00 a yard Dress Goods at the special price of.....Only 75c a Yard

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The popular Winter Waisting, a very comfortable, long wearing fabric, in new and attractive patterns, light and dark colors, suitable for shirt waists, underskirts, pajamas, boys' waists, shirts and men's day or night shirt; will launder and unshrinkable. Only .....39c a Yard

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Castors $3.00
Napkin Clips 75c
Napkin Rings 59c
Cheese Knives 50c
Silver Combs in cases....59c
Tape Needles....15c and 25c
Match Boxes $2.00
Match Holders $1.00
Vanities .....$6.75 and $7.00
Smelling Salts 59c
Knives 50c
Pencils 50c
Tape Measures 50c
Needle Cases 35c
Shuttles 50c
Stilettos 25c
Thimbles .....15c and 25c
Manicure Sets...50c to $1.25

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GOWNS AND CHEMISES—Embroidered by hand, made of very fine materials, also trimmed with dainty laces. Prices $1.00 to $2.50

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CORSET COVERS—These are made of all-over hamburg and fine nainsook, trimmed with very fine laces, insertions, embroideries and medallions. Prices.....50c, 79c and $1.00

WHITE SKIRTS—Deep flounces of embroideries, val., fisheye and shadow laces, ribbon beading and insertions, with or without underlay. Prices.....$1.00, $1.50 and $1.98

BOUDOIR CAPS—A score of styles to choose from. Prices 25c to $1.98

Pretty Christmas Boxes For All.

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The Largest Line of Paint Books That Ever Came to Your Notice

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Rug and Draperies

AT SPECIAL PRICES

New Chenille Rope Portieres, in red, green and brown, all sizes. Single door and large arch doors.....$1.39 to $10 Each

$3 to $4 IRISH POINT LACE CURTAINS—$3 to $4. Special Christmas Offering .....$2.39 a Pair

Latest Piano and Library Table Scarfs, krinkle, silk and verdure .....98c, $1.39, $1.98 and $2.98

Matting Cover Shirt Waist Boxes, $1.98, $2.50, $2.98, $3.50 to $7.50 Each
This makes a beautiful gift for Ladies.

$7.50 to $10 WILTON AND SAXONY SAMPLE RUGS—
A few of these in Oriental and soft tone, 3 ft. by 5 ft., 3 in., and 3 by 6 ft. long. Special extra values, $4.98 each to close

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$3.00 Axminster Rugs, perfect samples, in all the latest Oriental and floral patterns and colorings, 27x60 in. long. Special $1.98 Each

For Christmas season—Special Offer—Moquette Oriental Couch Covers, exact reproduction of silk rags.....$12.50

French Velour Couch Covers.....$9.00

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That are serviceable, seasonable and acceptable for mothers, sisters, daughters or friends. Such gifts are more in vogue every year.

WAIST PATTERNS.....From 39c to $2.00 Each

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SPECIAL—We will also furnish a box with any fair purchase, in these departments, upon request.

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LATEST DESIGNS IN WOMEN'S WEAR

THE SUN FASHION PAGE

FEMININE HINTS AND NOVELTIES

WHAT THE FRENCH MAID SAID

MARIE WARNS ABOUT THE HOLIDAY RUSH

"Sh—sh," warned Marie with her finger to her lips, as Marjorie entered the boudoir. "We will go out into the sewing room and talk. Your aunt is asleep, and must not be disturbed."

"I am awfully tired," sighed Marjorie, sinking into the cosy corner and snuggling a pillow under her back. "Auntie is a terrible shopper, and I thought I would never live to tell the story."

"Madame has not yet recovered from her overexertion of yesterday, and really you do not look as rested as usual. Did you sleep well last night?"

"No, not very. My nerves seemed to be all to pieces. I never saw such a crowd in my life, and the stores were so hot."

"That is all the good it does to tell people to shop early," smiled Marie.

"In the first place one should systemize their shopping tours. If you were to make out a list of all the presents you are to give and then start the next morning with a good salt bath, a substantial breakfast, comfortable shoes and low collar you would be able to endure the torture to follow more comfortably."

"Yes, but I began to feel dizzy by two o'clock and I was dressed comfortably," objected Marjorie.

"Ah, but you had not eaten your lunch?" Marie exclaimed knowingly.

"Oh, no, we did not bother about lunch. We kept on shopping until four-thirty, and then we had tea," said Marjorie.

"Well, that explains your headache and fatigue. You ate breakfast at seven o'clock, and your stomache was without nourishment for over nine hours. Of course you would feel dizzy."

"Yes, and not only that, but I went to the theatre last night, and oh dear, I feel almost dead." Marjorie turned her back to the whole scene and indulged in a fit of weeping.

"I will get you a nice hot cup of tea, and you shall lie and rest this afternoon," said Marie, going to the 'phone which connected with the kitchen.

"And do remember next time, to come home, and get into your negligee, take your hair down, darken the room, and simply rest and relax. Then when you decide to get up a hot bath and fresh clothing will be refreshing to your addled brain and over-wrought body."

LADY LOOKABOUT

I am filled with what I consider justifiable indignation every time I see freshly made graves despoiled of their flowers, not by vandals as one would naturally suppose when he hears of such an occurrence, but by our local florists. I do not know if the practice is common to all our florists, but enough of them are represented to make me think nearly all are guilty of this desecration. Invariably, within two or three days of a funeral, the grave is robbed of its floral pieces, that the florists who made them up may secure the wire frames on which they were built. These men have been paid once for these wire frames, and I think it is poor business for them to rifle a grave of the offerings of love and friendship made to the departed, that they may again use them and again take money for them. It does not pay in any business to be so grasping. It would be an act of much greater thoughtfulness and kindness on the part of the florists to wait until the family of the departed had paid their first visit to the grave, than to plunder it before the flowers had withered. Better still, if they would include in the cost of the piece a charge for the wire frame if they have not really done so, in order that when it passed from their hands it also passed from their possession.

Even the Horses Were Skating

It must have been a heartless man indeed who stopped his horse directly on the car track, the only safe place in the street, last Wednesday morning. It was a fish-man who did it, and every vehicle going his way had to make a dangerous detour to get around him. When his own horse is slipping and sliding all over the street, anybody would think he would show some consideration towards others whose horses were in the same plight, but consideration for anybody under such circumstances is a rare bird.

Use of School Buildings

Year after year I have heard candidates for school committee holding forth about the thousands and thousands of dollars of public money tied up in fine buildings which are in use only five hours a day. They would open those buildings to the public. For their benefit and for the benefit of their friends I would like to inform them, if indeed they do not already know it that among the measures enacted by the legislature of 1914, is one under Chapter 538 which authorizes the school committees to allow the use of school property for other than school purposes if deemed for the interest of the community. I know they will be glad to hear this, as it opens an opportunity to start something which heretofore has been made to appear almost an impossibility.

Early Christmas Shopping

If volumes were to be written about early Christmas shopping, I do not believe it ever will become the fashion. It is very fine in theory, but it is a different matter in practice. Who can think of Christmas when the air is mild and one's furs seem heavy, and when the store windows are filled with sensible things like warm underwear and thick-soled boots? I know I cannot. I cannot shop for Christmas unless I hear the tinkle of sleighbells in the air, and the crunch of snow under foot, or feel the nip of frost on nose and ears. I want to see icicles and Christmas greens and reds, ribbon candy and canes—then I know Christmas is near, and even though it be the last day, I can shop with happiness and zest. I can go suppertless almost without knowing it, and when I return home, tired, late, cold, hungry, heavy of feet, light of purse, and loaded with half undone parcels, it is with a sort of holy joy wholly unknown to the one who shops early.

The Juvenile Law

The police authorities in enforcing the juvenile law are making a praiseworthy effort to save our young boys and girls, who through inexperience or acting at the suggestion of older and more cunning companions commit crime. The purpose of the law is to consider the youthful offender a delinquent rather than a criminal—that the charge against him may be one of remission of duty rather than besmirch his name and reputation with a police court record. The kindness of the juvenile law is not appreciated. Our boys and girls should be taught that the man or woman with a police court record can never hold a civil service position. Other walks in life also are closed to him, no matter how innocently he may have fallen among evil ways and companions. The juvenile law was framed for the purpose of protecting from this stigma those of tender years, and should not be considered a license to commit crime. It is too bad the law is proving unsatisfactory to the public. It may be due to misunderstanding, but it would seem that the law has been in operation long enough to have overcome all possible misunderstandings. A little more cooperation between all parties concerned,—parents, delinquents and authorities, should adjust the difficulty. Let us think long and well before we advocate a change which will operate to the detriment of our children whose keepers we are.

LADY LOOKABOUT.

OF INTEREST TO WOMEN

Philadelphia has two women milliers.

Women retail dealers in New York city number over 7000.

Several women are employed in the Swedish mines.

One-quarter of the 66,000 dressmakers in London are idle.

Despite strong opposition, Miss Anita Grish has been elected superintendent of the poor in Jersey City.

Many women are among the 120 volunteers who are furnishing blood for the wounded soldiers in the Lyons, France, hospital.

New York has a woman watchman, Mrs. Ethel Ryan, who guards the district populated by produce men.

San Francisco is to have a women's hotel managed on the same lines as the Martha Washington hotel in New York city.

Mrs. Florence P. Rossing, New York's only automobile broker, claims that it is no business for a woman to take up as a livelihood.

Mrs. Laura A. Lasater, clerk of the district court in Pittsburgh, Kan., has been expelled from office because she talked too much.

The National Union of Woman's Suffrage Association of Canada is conducting a campaign for pensions for mothers as a result of the war.

NEW CREATIONS FOR EVENING GOWNS WITH LACE FLOUNCES OVER NARROW FOUNDATION

It would be hard to find a prettier gown than this one for afternoon dances and all occasions of the kind. The lace flounces that are arranged over a narrow foundation are charmingly attractive in effect and the bandeau of velvet makes a really beautiful contrast. The collar that is high at the back, suggestive of the military idea, yet with open front makes one of the features of the winter. Women on the outlook for a really available handsome costume can not do better than follow this design. There is nothing difficult about it since the flounces are easy to sew on the skirt and the little basque is slightly full at the front so that the fitting means no difficulty. With the lace flounces, the elbow sleeves finished with frills are charming but the long sleeves are fashionable and these can be made in that way, or, if liked, the basque can be used over a skirt of quite different character. Draped skirts continue to be fashionable and accordion pleated skirts are much liked. Either one or the other with the basque would be pretty or, if the lace flouncings are too elaborate for the occasion, the same idea could be carried out in net or in chiffon or in thin silk such as crepe de chine or crepe meteore.

For the medium size, the basque will require 3 yards of material 27, 1 5-8 yards 36 or 44 inches wide, with 1-4 yard 36 inches wide for the chemisette, 1 1-2 yards of lace for the sleeve frills; the skirt 5 5-8 yards 27 or 36 inches wide, and 13 yards of lace 9 inches wide or 5 1-2 yards of material 27, 3 1-2 yards 36, 3 yards 44 inches wide for the flounces.

Draperies are always pretty for evening gowns and are being much used this season. This gown combines a very beautiful silk crepe that is a little heavier than crepe de chine with velvet and is trimmed with lace. The ladies shows the very newest development of the basque idea and the gown is altogether one of the prettiest as well as most fashionable that could be suggested. It takes the most graceful lines and, since the skirt can be made with or without the train, it is adapted to the dance as well as to the opera and to dinner. The little trimming that finishes the neck edge is of tulle but the buttons are exceedingly handsome, being of cut crystal and buttons this season make really important trimmings.

This basque that drapes the figure is an exceedingly becoming one to young girls and to women of girlish figures. It is by no means severe in effect yet it gives the prevailing lines. The frock illustrated shows it combined with a tunic of silk and wool crepe over a skirt of charmeuse satin and the sash is just a straight strip of silk. The crepe that is delightfully soft and pliable is really ideal for the full basque but there are various other materials that provide the same quality and anything that will drape the figure successfully is appropriate. Charmeuse satin could be used over a skirt of broadcloth and with broadcloth trimmings.

There is no handsome combination of materials than lace and velvet and this season there is none more fashionable. Here is an exceedingly attractive gown, handsome enough and dressy enough for any afternoon occasion, and also suited to the hotel dinner and to the theatre. There is a plain two-piece skirt with two wide tucks over the hips and a graceful blouse with draped chemisette. The skirt is made of charmeuse satin and finished with velvet at the lower edge, while lace flouncing is arranged under the lower tuck. The blouse is very simple but exceedingly effective and especially adapted to lace.

The trimming of skunk fur gives a smart note of character. Black and white is always distinctive, always handsome, just now it is the height of style, but if for any reason color is preferred, brown or sand-colored velvet or something in brighter tone could be used in place of the black, while the fur still remains the same, for skunk is always handsome on lace and harmonizes with every color. Incidentally it might be well to note that this design treated in a more simple way is adapted to every day occasions. If the skirt were made without the lace and without the velvet it would be just the simplest one available and an entire gown of wool or silk crepe would be useful for many occasions.

For the medium size, the blouse will require 1 1-4 yds. of material 27 in. wide; 1 3-4 yds. 36, 1 5-8 yds. 44 in. wide with 2 1-2 yds. of fur bending, 5-8 yd. net for inner portion, 1 yd. of lace for the sleeves; the skirt 5 yds. 27 in. wide; 3 1-2 yds. 36 or 44 with 1 1-8 yds. of bordering 18 in. deep and 1 yd. 20 in. wide for the band.

Velvet, velveteen and materials of similar weight are extremely fashionable this winter and exceedingly

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WHAT THE COOK SAYS

Cook told me this morning how to properly oil a floor, so I pass it on to you. The floor must be allowed to dry after it is scrubbed. Then mix two parts of linseed oil with one part of turpentine and apply this to every part of the floor with a soft cloth.

Rub the oil into the boards, and then rub them thoroughly with a woolen cloth. If the boards are new they can be treated with linseed oil, boiled and hot, applied with a paint brush.

After the oil has stood on the floor for an hour or so it should be well rubbed with a woolen cloth, until the floor no longer looks sticky and oily.

Before using new granite pans, cook says to grease the inside with butter. This will prevent them from chipping and cracking afterward.

To remove the stains from fireproof dishes which have become brown from baking, soak them in strong borax and water.

To keep pots and pans bright, dip each article in strong lye or soft soap, then scour with common sifted coal ashes.

A thick paste made of soda and water is excellent for cleaning glasses in which milk, ice cream or other greasy substance has been standing, cook tells me.

Even when there is no time to make a paste, if the fingers are dipped in water, then in dry soda, and the greasy part of the glass is rubbed around with them, the marks will quickly disappear and the glass become bright.

Lamp chimneys treated in the same way will shine like crystal, while if a lamp burner is boiled for half an hour in soda water it will cause the lamp to burn with renewed brilliancy.

When it is necessary to boil a cracked egg, cook says to add a little vinegar to the water. This will prevent the white from boiling out.

An egg that has been too lightly boiled may be put into the saucepan again, even after the top has been taken off, if an ordinary pin be dropped into it in a conspicuous place when it will be found that none of the egg has been lost.

Care should be taken to remove the pin.

If your vegetables or preserves scorch while cooking, advises cook, remove the vessel instantly from the range and set it in a pan of cold water, letting it remain there for 10 or 15 minutes. At the end of that time you will find that the scorched taste has all vanished from the food.

When cooking cabbage, turnips or onions, boil at same time some vinegar with few spices. This will destroy all vegetable odor.

When boiling a ham, leave it in the water in which it has been boiled until it is quite cold. This will make it juicy and tender.

To clean the nickel on a range or other stove, cook finds the most satisfactory results obtained by rubbing it with a cloth, moistened in equal parts of turpentine and vinegar, and then polishing with newspaper.

This will cut all grease which so often collects on cooking stoves.

Paint your gas stove with silver enamel paint twice a year, she says. This keeps it in good condition, saves blacking, and you will not soil the daintiest dress around it.

WHAT HORTENSE TOLD ME

Hortense has given me one of the most delightful creams to use on the face. She calls it Orange Blossoms and it surely is as wonderful as its name. It will soften and whiten the face, and is also good for massaging. It is not as greasy as most creams. You can prepare it as follows:

Spermaceti six drams; oil of sweet almonds, four ounces; white wax, six drams; glycerin, one and one-half ounces; borax, two drams; orange flower water, two ounces; oil of petitgrain, fifteen drops; oil of neroli, fifteen drops; oil of bigarade (orange skins), fifteen drops.

Warm the spermaceti, wax and almond oil in a double boiler until they become creamy; then add the glycerin to the orange flower water and let the borax dissolve in this. Pour this mixture into the first one, stirring constantly. Just before the cream congeals, pour in the perfumed neroli drop by drop.

Hortense says to keep it clean, the face requires one thorough washing daily with warm water, an agreeable soap and wash cloth or soft flesh brush. This treatment is best given at night. In the morning, then, it is not necessary to use soap on the face. Warm water and then cold will be sufficient to freshen one.

There are many, she says, who cannot use soap. The best thing to do is to use a bran bag instead. When the face is in need of a thorough cleansing, after a trip in the train, for instance, a cold cream bath will remove the dirt and the bran cloth will finish the work in a satisfactory way.

To make a bran bag mix equal quantities of powdered oatmeal and bran together, and to a pint add one-half cup of powdered soap. To this add about one ounce of powdered orris root. Fill small bags and use in the bath.

One of the worst disfigurements that women fall heir to is the growth of superfluous hair on the upper lip. Hortense thinks many and varied are the remedies suggested, but such should be followed with the greatest discrimination and judgment.

An excellent cure, she suggests, as follows: Moisten the superfluous hairs with simple sulfo solution. It will be found that this application will dissolve the hair, and, whether heavy or light, it will disappear in a few moments.

Most depilatories are apt to leave a red spot and an extreme irritation of the skin, but this particular remedy will leave the skin soft, smooth and clear. Its action is gentle and most effective in immediately removing the hair.

The thin girl is popular this winter, but Hortense thinks that even thin girls must be a little plump and not all bones. The first step towards this thin plumpness is to avoid nerves, fretting and irritability. Retire early and remain in bed as long as possible.

Drink no tea or coffee, rather milk, cocoa or chocolate. Take mashed potatoes, with butter, or cream, oatmeal, fresh bread, honey eggs, tapioca; in short, all sugary and oily foods. No meat. Take great care to eat slowly and masticate each morsel thoroughly.

A nap either before or after dinner is beneficial. Exercise must be regular and moderate. Horseback riding, tennis and boating are good. Vocal exercises enlarge the chest. Small doses of cod liver oil should be taken several times a day.

Few people pay the proper amount of attention to their feet. Hortense tells me they require fully as much, if not more, attention than the hands. First and most emphatically bathe them every day. This rule goes without exception. The foot bath should consist of hot water and a few drops of toilet (or even household) ammonia.

Take good care to file down the nails and push back the cuticle on the toes just as the manicurist does. Otherwise a serious and painful "ingrown toenail" may follow.

If the feet are given to excessive perspiration powder lightly every morning and night with pulverized alum. Callous spots from walking, dancing, etc., may be removed by soaking in hot water and rubbing with pumice-stone.

No one can help feeling so at time in this age of rush and racket, but it is quite possible to put on the brake, as it were, and not let the nerves run away with us. Here are a few wise hints on the subject from Hortense:

If people fret you, it is not necessary to be rude to them. Try, instead, to avoid them. Don't read books that irritate you. Books are plentiful, therefore put away the offending volume and choose another. If a noise at night worries you, don't let it continue to do so. Get up and see to the matter, and put it right.

Don't let yourself get into the habit of being bored. It is not worth while. When you feel it coming on, plunge at once into some task that will take all your time and energy.

It is better to run away from certain things than let them irritate you. Such martyrdom is usually unnecessary, and bad for you all round.

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handsome, but unquestionably they are a little heavy for the making of blouses. Consequently, this costume which combines velvet with charmeuse satin is exceedingly practical as well as an exceedingly smart one. The skirt is in two pieces, and the back may be left plain or trimmed with circular ruffles. The blouse tells its own story, and is made with regulation sleeves, while the chemisette portion can be either of the same or contrasting material. Here the velvet is black and the charmeuse is white and black and white is much worn, but it would be easier to make the pretty effect by using brown or sand color for the velvet with either a white blouse or one of matching color; or, in place of the charmeuse could be used crepe de chine or crepe meteore, for these materials are pretty and fashionable and in every way adapted to such purposes. If a very handsome effect is wanted, velvet in brown or sand-colored velvet with blouse of faille to match could be used to make a very smart gown, since both the colors and the materials are much exploited.

For the medium size, the blouse will require 3 1-2 yds. of material 27 in. wide, 2 1-2 yds. 36, 2 yds. 44, 5-8 yd. 36" for the vest and collar and cuffs, 10 yds. for banding. For the skirt, 4 1-2 yds. 27 in. wide, 3 3-4 yds. 36 or 44 in. wide, with 1 5-8 yds. of fur banding.

The cape always makes a convenient wrap and this season it is exceedingly smart. Here is a graceful and becoming one that can be made with straight front edges or in cutaway effect and which as shown is made of broadcloth with trimming of fur. Unquestionably broadcloth is a fashionable material and always a pretty one as well as serviceable one but silks are greatly in vogue this season and velvets are and there are many varieties of both to be found. Moire poplin is much liked for wraps, brocaded velvets and brocaded silk are really sumptuous in effect and plain charmeuse satin is beautiful while any of these materials can be interlined to provide sufficient warmth. Among extremely rich and handsome materials are brocaded silks enriched with metal threads but, after all, broadcloth is pretty enough if the color is well chosen. This season plain linings of pretty harmonizing but light colors are liked for fancy materials, but plain materials are enriched by brocaded linings.

The cape will require 4 yds. of material 36 or 44 in. wide, 2 5-8 yds. 52, with 8 yds. of fur banding.

Nothing makes a more interesting feature of the winter than the very great variety of the furs worn. The little chipmunk is the latest addition to the available list and the exceedingly smart suits are trimmed with his skin or with imitation thereof.

Princess slips for wear beneath evening gowns are among the necessities of the complete wardrobe. The new ones are very charming, made of soft crepe de chine with accordion plaited skirts and under bodices that are trimmed with insets of wide lace near the upper straight edges and are held over the shoulders by ribbon bands.

The sudden demand for high collars and chokers of one sort and another has brought about the making of a great many attractive novelties. Now there are to be found pretty little bands of black faille over white, plaited and finished with bands of velvet ribbon through the center and these bands held in place by means of cut silver knobs.

Pearls are always so exquisite and so particularly beautiful with evening dress that the introduction of cultivated pearls that have much of the beauty of the rarest gems yet of much less cost cannot fail to be of interest. As we all know, the pearl really represents the effort of the bivalve to cast out of its shell a grain of sand which is covered with a solution in the futile attempt. In the eastern waters they are planting beds of these same bi-valves and introducing in the shells tiny little bits of suitable material with the direct intention of forcing the creatures to create pearls to order, so to speak. Since the introduced object is bigger than the grain of sand, the cultivated pearl is a trifle less perfect and is apt to be flat on the under side, but it is wonderfully beautiful nevertheless, and of various sorts at prices that bring it within the reach of modest incomes.

No feature of the new blouses is more interesting than the collars. A pretty model and one which is much liked is made of fine Georgette crepe with the front embroidered by hand. The neck forms just a small V between the blouse and the turned-over collar, the ends of which meet at the front leaving the neck open for a few inches below.

Lace of all kinds is being worn this season, and the lovely Spanish lace is shown in characteristic and really fascinating scarfs. They are carried to the opera, to the theatre and used whenever a scarf of genuine, or slight warmth is needed.

There is a veritable craze for beads just now and a great many beautiful gowns are trimmed with beads applied over a stamped design. The work is very easy to do and is exceedingly effective, so it has much to commend it. Round beads and small bugles, both are used for the purpose and sometimes one color is used throughout and sometimes a combination of colors. Care must be taken not to stamp the material for the beads do not make a continuous line. The best method is to stamp on tissue paper and to paste over the material.

There are also beautiful garnitures offered ready to wear that are really practical. Fascinating coats and even little capes are shown in attractive, and the vari-colored beads that are beautiful and so much used just now, and in fact, beads are so generally exploited just now that they are to be found given over to many uses. Entire unmade robes are offered made of thin nets completely covered with iridescent beads to produce a most brilliant and scintillating effect.

If you want help at home or in your business, try The Sun "Want" column.

OF INTEREST TO WOMEN

Maiwatchin, on the borders of Russia in Asia, is womanless.

Over 100,000 women in Kentucky are unable to read or write.

Queen Victoria of Spain spends over $40,000 a year for costumes.

Most of the sculpture work at the Panama exposition is being done by women.

Woman suffrage has been indorsed by the New York State Federation of Women's Clubs.

Brazilian women of wealth regard shopping as undignified and send a servant for samples.

There are over 4600 Chinese females and over 9000 Japanese women in the United States.

Fifty per cent of the female workers in the United States are under 21 years of age.

Among the over 4500 applicants for positions in New York city last week there were 573 women.

Unemployment caused by the war increases among women in London at the rate of 1000 a week.

Teachers in the public schools of New York city must be over 45 years of age to marry and continue in their positions.

The Bundesrath of Germany has decided to furnish financial and medical assistance to women at the time of childbirth.

Mrs. F. E. Lowrey has sailed for Liberia, where she will take a trip into the wilds of Darkest Africa, taking moving pictures as she goes.

Miss Miriam Van Waters, who is superintendent of the Detention Home in Portland, Ore., has three college degrees.

Miss Margaret Foley is again back in Boston to pursue her work of gaining better legislation for women and children in Massachusetts.

Lady Jellico, wife of the head of the British navy, has established a temporary hall for women in the Hammonsmith road section of London.

Mrs. Charles S. Whitman, wife of the governor-elect in New York, is an ardent suffragist and is doing all she can to assist in its educational propaganda.

The State Grange Patrons of Husbandry will ask the next legislature in New Jersey to appropriate $50,000 to erect and support a state college for women.

Several hundred women of southern birth in Washington have seceded from the Congressional union because they claim that it is an undignified organization.

Mrs. J. H. Blondin, formerly Miss Mae Cochran of New York, has been elected county tax collector in Glen County, Cal., at a salary of $1500 a year.

Since the women of Norway now have equal rights with men they have dissolved the Society for Suffrage of Women, there being no reason for its activities.

Mrs. Arthur M. Dodge, president of the National Association Opposed to Woman Suffrage, claims that only one per cent of the women in the United States are suffragists.

In China the Easter bonnet is unknown and the nearest approach to a hat is the high headdress of the Manchu woman, who must be married in order to boast this adornment.

Mrs. Elizabeth Blaker is now serving as the town crier at Chertsey, England, while her husband, the holder of the post, is at the front. This is the first time that a woman has acted in this capacity.

Young girls have been advised to keep away from Chicago by a woman's organization of that city, which has issued circulars telling of the perils that a girl must contend with in the Windy City.

The Duchess of Marlborough has fortified her London home against Zeppelin attacks by having a stout wire netting stretched across the roof of her house at the height of several feet.

Mrs. Anna T. Steinmurer will probably be Boston's first policewoman as Mayor Curley has declared that he will find a way to appoint her to the police force despite the fact that he has no authority under the law.

Many thousands of women are employed by the British government as telegraphic and telephone operators, both systems now being owned and worked by the government. These women are paid from $8.75 to $10 per week.

The only woman in the United States to wear the cross of the Legion of Honor is Mrs. S. P. R. Dugmore of Great Neck, L. I., who was Mrs. Bramhall Gilbert before her marriage to Captain Dugmore of the British army.

Gov.-elect Whitman of New York will receive a delegation of suffragists, who will advise him as to the nature of the message regarding woman suffrage which he will first give to the legislature.

Mrs. Barbara Schunemann is skipper of the ship that will bring Chicago its supply of Christmas trees this year. Mrs. Schunemann has chartered the schooner Lucky and with her two daughters will bring a cargo of 20,000 trees.

In order that larger contributions can be made for the relief of the suffering both at home and abroad, 34 girls who will make their debut in Baltimore society shortly have agreed to refrain from extravagance in entertainments.

Miss Lillian Scott has been elected president of the Kansas State Teachers association, and it is the first time in 52 years' history of the association that a woman has been so honored. Miss Scott has been head of the department of pedagogy in Baker university since 1894.

SUN FEATURES TUESDAY

Old Timer, Automobile Page, The Working, The Sickabed Lady, French Maid, Rabbit's Foot, Sleepytime Tales

The Old Timer will continue to relate the social, political and general events of quarter of a century ago.

Perhaps some fortunate ones will receive automoiles for Christmas presents. Such a gift would be most acceptable, of course. The Sun's automobile page will be published tomorrow and will be of interest to owners and prospective owners. Read the auto news and the auto ads.

Directions for removing foreign matter from the eyes, for the treatment of a sty, will be found in "The Sickabed Lady" in tomorrow's Sun. This article will also describe methods of obtaining relief from ingrowing toenails, for a sore chest, and will tell how to get rid of warts.

Little useful novelties which may be made either for one's own use or to be given to friends for Christmas are described in "The Lady's Working."

There are many ways for the woman of today to remain young, according to the writer of "The Rabbit's Foot," and these will be told in this article tomorrow.

Little readers of The Sun will enjoy "The Man and Dandy," a pleasing sleepytime story which will be printed tomorrow.

How some attractive negligee dainties may be made will be told by "The French Maid" tomorrow.

WINTER COSTUMES—GARMENTS OF GRACE AND SIMPLICITY—NEW MODELS COMING FROM FRANCE

Thanksgiving passed and over the winter seems fairly to have begun, all sorts of holiday thoughts are in the air, and holiday plans are sure to be in process of making. While it is likely that this year will see a little less luxury and a little less extravagance than usual. Christmas promises a gay season and little by little we are getting back to a normal condition and a rational appreciation of matters as they stand. Undoubtedly the holiday trade will do its part toward re-establishing a normal attitude, and in every way there is evidence to be found of that return to confidence which means ultimately good times. In matters sartorial, the great question appears to be from whence will come the new designs? But since we are learning rapidly that we can create for ourselves, that bugbear is being rapidly laid to rest. Among the manufacturers there is indeed evidence of good already growing out of the strain, for they are holding exhibitions and meetings that tend toward harmony and co-operation rather than cut-throat rivalry. Once we reach that stage, we will have taken a big step toward real success. One of the important facts to be remembered in connection with Parisian designs is the absolute integrity with which they are treated and the respect that one designer shows for the other. When we have learned to respect designs, we respect other property, the road to success will have been made a smoother one.

If we need encouragement along the lines of home products the stage stands ready to supply it. A well-known actress, now playing in a successful role, stated in an interview within the last few days that her costumes have been made in this country throughout her entire career, that even when she has gone abroad to produce a play, she has taken her costumes with her, and her statement should stand for a great deal. There is no exponent of fashion more conspicuous today than the stage. If once it is known and realized that actresses are ready to employ home skill, a big battle will have been fought and won. That home talent always has been recognized by the women who travel most, who are most in contrast with the best on the other side, is true and has been true. There are individuals prominent in social life who prefer American evening gowns to any that can be bought abroad, and there are numberless women of great wealth who realize the skill that is to be found within our shores, but they are individuals and influence only an individual circle. The actress reaches the entire public, and her approval consequently is of consummate value. A successful singer now playing important roles on the vaudeville stage wears only American costumes. Within the week she appeared in a long coat of green velvet, trimmed with wonderful mink, that could not be more graceful or more becoming were it heralded by the greatest name known to the Parisian world. It has simple lines, with a straight body portion, and flaring skirt that completely covers the gown. It is opened in the form of a V in the neck, and is finished with a fur collar that meets a deep girdle. It is made with long, plain sleeves that are edged with deep cuffs of fur, and there is a wide mink band around the skirt. The front edges are lapped and buttoned together with their entire length, with buttons covered with velvet. The close-fitting little toque is of mink with a little stick-up of ostrich in the front and on the back. There is grace and there is dignity in every line of the garment and the simplicity is perfectly adapted to the rich and beautiful material.

An evening gown that is worn by the same player, is all of black net with trimming of jet. It consists of a cuirass-like basque, that is cut straight across close under the arms, and that extends below the hip lines. This basque consists of succession of wide tucks or folds, each over-lapping the other, arranged over a foundation of thin pliable silk. Below is a full gathered skirt of the net, finished with three bands of beautiful jet trimming. The basque is held at the upper edge by straps of jet, and there is a cape of the net that hangs over the shoulder, and over the gown at the back, the point just reaching the uppermost row of trimming. This cape is edged with jet and held by a band of the trimming that passes round the neck and is crossed over the shoulder straps to give a most unusual effect. With the gown are worn black lace stockings, black satin slippers with small shine stone buckles and a necklace with a diamond pendant, and a bracelet of the same brilliant gems. While it will be seen from the description that the general trend of the season has been followed in both costumes, there is a distinctive note of personality and originality that means real charm. In the sense of terror that seemed to seize upon the world of dress for a short time after the war was declared there existed really more of superstition than of fact. We are getting and will get a fair number of models from abroad, and we will always learn much from what France has to offer, but we also are able to adapt for our own needs. We do not want anything that is distinctively our own.

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WHAT THE FRENCH MAID SAID

MARIE WARNS ABOUT THE HOLIDAY RUSH

"Sh—sh," warned Marie with her finger to her lips as Marjorie entered the boudoir. "We will go out into the sewing room and talk. Your aunt is asleep, and must not be disturbed."

"I am awfully tired," sighed Marjorie, sinking into the cosy corner and snuggling a pillow under her back. "Auntie is a terrible shopper, and I thought I would never live to tell the story."

"Madame has not yet recovered from her overexertion of yesterday, and really you do not look as rested as usual. Did you sleep well last night?"

"No, not very. My nerves seemed to be all to pieces. I never saw such a crowd in my life, and the stores were so hot."

"That is all the good it does to tell people to shop early," smiled Marie.

"In the first place one should systemize their shopping tours. If you were to make out a list of all the presents you are to give and then start the next morning with a good salt bath, a substantial breakfast, comfortable shoes and low collar you would be able to endure the torture to follow more comfortably."

"Yes, but I began to feel dizzy by two o'clock and I was dressed comfortably," objected Marjorie.

"Ah, but you had not eaten your lunch!" Marie exclaimed knowingly.

"Oh, no, we did not bother about lunch. We kept on shopping until four-thirty, and then we had tea," said Marjorie.

"Well, that explains your headache and fatigue. You ate breakfast at seven o'clock, and your stomache was without nourishment for over nine hours. Of course you would feel dizzy."

"Yes, and not only that, but I went to the theatre last night, and oh dear, I feel almost dead." Marjorie turned her back to the whole scene and indulged in a fit of weeping.

"I will get you a nice hot cup of tea, and you shall lie and rest this afternoon," said Marie, going to the 'phone which connected with the kitchen.

"And do remember next time, to come home, and get into your negligee, take your hair down, darken the room, and simply rest and relax. Then when you decide to get up a hot bath and fresh clothing will be refreshing to your addled brain and over-wrought body."

LADY LOOKABOUT

I am filled with what I consider justifiable indignation every time I see freshly made graves despoiled of their flowers, not by vandals as one would naturally suppose when he hears of such an occurrence, but by our local florists. I do not know if the practice is common to all our florists, but enough of them are represented to make me think nearly all are guilty of this desecration. Invariably, within two or three days of a funeral, the grave is robbed of its floral pieces, that the florists who made them up may secure the wire frames on which they were built. These men have been paid once for these wire frames, and I think it is poor business for them to rifle a grave of the offerings of love and friendship made to the departed, that they may again use them and again take money for them. It does not pay in any business to be so grasping. It would be an act of much greater thoughtfulness and kindness on the part of the florists to wait until the family of the departed had paid their first visit to the grave, than to plunder it before the flowers had withered. Better still, if they would include in the cost of the piece a charge for the wire frame if they have not really done so, in order that when it passed from their hands it also passed from their possession.

Even the Horses Were Skating

It must have been a heartless man indeed who stopped his horse directly on the car track, the only safe place in the street, last Wednesday morning. It was a fish-man who did it, and every vehicle going his way had to make a dangerous detour to get around him. When his own horse is slipping and sliding all over the street, anybody would think he would show some consideration towards others whose horses were in the same plight, but consideration for anybody under such circumstances is a rare bird.

Use of School Buildings

Year after year, I have heard candidates for school committee holding forth about the thousands and thousands of dollars of public money tied up in fine buildings which are in use only five hours a day. They would open those buildings to the public. For their benefit and for the benefit of their friends I would like to inform them, if indeed they do not already know it that among the measures enacted by the legislature of 1914, is one under Chapter 548 which authorizes the school committees to allow the use of school property for other than school purposes if deemed for the interest of the community. I know they will be glad to hear this, as it opens an opportunity to start something which heretofore has been made to appear almost an impossibility.

Early Christmas Shopping

If volumes were to be written about early Christmas shopping, I do not believe it ever will become the fashion. It is very fine in theory, but it is a different matter in practice. Who can think of Christmas when the air is mild and one's furs seem heavy, and when the store windows are filled with sensible things like warm underwear and thick-soled boots? I know I cannot. I cannot shop for Christmas unless I hear the tinkle of sleighbells in the air, and the crunch of snow under foot, or feel the nip of frost on nose and ears. I want to see icicles and Christmas greens and reds, ribbon candy and canes,—then I know Christmas is near, and even though it be the last day, I can shop with happiness and zest. I can go supperless almost without knowing it, and when I return home, tired, late, cold, hungry, heavy of foot, light of purse, and loaded with half undone parcels, it is with a sort of holy joy wholly unknown to the one who shops early.

The Juvenile Law

The police authorities in enforcing the juvenile law are making a praiseworthy effort to save our young boys and girls, who through inexperience or acting at the suggestion of older and more cunning companions commit crime. The purpose of the law is to consider the youthful offender a delinquent rather than a criminal—that the charge against him may be one of remission of duty rather than besmirch his name and reputation with a police court record. The kindness of the juvenile law is not appreciated. Our boys and girls should be taught that the man or woman with a police court record can never hold a civil service position. Other walks in life also are closed to him, no matter how innocently he may have fallen among evil ways and companions. The juvenile law was framed for the purpose of protecting from this stigma those of tender years, and should not be considered a license to commit crime. It is too bad the law is proving unsatisfactory to the public. It may be due to misunderstanding, but it would seem that the law has been in operation long enough to have overcome all possible misunderstandings. A little more cooperation between all parties concerned,—parents, delinquents and authorities, should adjust the difficulty. Let us think long and well before we advocate a change which will operate to the detriment of our children whose keepers we are.

LADY LOOKABOUT.

OF INTEREST TO WOMEN

Philadelphia has two women millers.

Women retail dealers in New York city number over 7000.

Several women are employed in the Swedish mines.

One-quarter of the 65,000 dressmakers in London are idle.

Despite strong opposition, Miss Anita Grish has been elected superintendent of the poor in Jersey City.

Many women are among the 120 volunteers who are furnishing blood for the wounded soldiers in the Lyons, France, hospital.

New York has a woman watchman, Mrs. Ethel Ryan, who guards the district populated by produce men.

San Francisco is to have a women's hotel managed on the same lines as the Martha Washington hotel in New York city.

Mrs. Florence P. Hessing, New York's only automobile broker, claims that it is no business for a woman to take up as a livelihood.

Mrs. Laura A. Lasater, clerk of the district court in Pittsburgh, Kan., has been expelled from office because she talked too much.

The National Union of Woman's Suffrage Association of Canada is conducting a campaign for pensions for mothers as a result of the war.

NEW CREATIONS FOR EVENING GOWNS WITH LACE FLOUNCES OVER NARROW FOUNDATION

It would be hard to find a prettier gown than this one for afternoon dances and all occasions of the kind. The lace flounces that are arranged over a narrow foundation are charmingly attractive in effect and the basque of velvet makes a really beautiful contrast. The collar that is high at the back, suggestive of the military idea, yet with open front makes one of the features of the winter. Women on the outlook for a really available handsome costume can not do better than follow this design. There is nothing difficult about it since the flounces are easy to sew on the skirt and the little basque is slightly full at the front so that the fitting means no difficulty. With the lace flounces, the elbow sleeves finished with frills are charming but the long sleeves are fashionable and these can be made in that way, or, if liked, the basque can be used over a skirt of quite different character. Draped skirts continue to be fashionable and accordion plaited skirts are much liked. Either one or the other with the basque would be pretty or, if the lace flouncings are too elaborate for the occasion, the same idea could be carried out in net or in chiffon or in thin silk such as crepe de chine or crepe meteore.

For the medium size, the basque will require 3 yards of material 27, 1 5-8 yards 36 or 44 inches wide, with 1-4 yard 36 inches wide for the chemisette, 1 1-2 yards of lace for the sleeve frills; the skirt 2 5-8 yards 27 or 36 inches wide, with 23 yards of lace 9 inches wide or 5 1-2 yards of material 27, 3 1-2 yards 36, 3 yards 44 inches wide for the flounces.

Draperies are always pretty for evening gowns and are being much used this season. This gown combines a very beautiful silk crepe that is a little heavier than crepe de chine with velvet and is trimmed with lace. The bodice shows the very newest development of the basque idea and the gown is altogether one of the prettiest as well as most fashionable that could be suggested. It takes the most graceful lines and, since the skirt can be made with or without the train, it is adapted to the dance as well as to the opera and to dinner. The little trimming that finishes the neck edge is of tulle but the buttons are exceedingly handsome, being of cut crystal and buttons this season make really important trimmings.

This basque that drapes the figure is an exceedingly becoming one to young girls and to women of girlish figures. It is by no means severe in effect yet it takes the prevailing lines. The frock illustrated shows it combined with a tunic of silk and wool crepe over a skirt of charmeuse satin and the sash is just a straight strip of silk. The crepe that is delightfully soft and pliable is really ideal for the full basque but there are various other materials that provide the same quality and anything that will drape the figure successfully is appropriate. Charmeuse satin could be used over a skirt of broadcloth and with broadcloth trimmings.

There is no handsomer combination of materials than lace and velvet and this season there is none more fashionable. Here is an exceedingly attractive gown handsome enough and dressy enough for any afternoon occasion, and also suited to the hotel dinner and to the theatre. There is a plain two-piece skirt with two wide tucks over the hips and a graceful blouse with draped chemisette. The skirt is made of charmeuse satin and finished with velvet at the lower edge, while lace flouncing is arranged under the lower tuck. The blouse is very simple but exceedingly effective and especially adapted to lace.

The trimming of skunk fur gives a smart note of character. Black and white is always distinctive, always handsome, just now it is the height of style, but if for any reason color is preferred, brown or sand-colored velvet or something in brighter tone could be used in place of the black, while the fur still remains the same, for skunk is always handsome on lace and harmonizes with every color. Incidentally it might be well to note that this design treated in a more simple way is adapted to every day occasions. If the skirt were made without the lace and without the velvet it would be just the simplest one available and an entire gown of wool or silk crepe would be useful for many occasions.

For the medium size, the blouse will require 1 1-4 yds. of material 27 in. wide; 1 3-4 yds. 36, 1 5-8 yds. 44 in. wide with 2 1-2 yds. of fur banding, 5-8 yd. net for inner portion, 1 yd. of lace for the sleeves; the skirt 5 yds. 27 in. wide; 3 1-2 yds. 36 or 44 with 1 1-8 yds. of flouncing 18 in. deep and 1 yd. 20 in. wide for the head.

Velvet, velveteen and materials of similar weight are extremely fashionable this winter and exceedingly

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WHAT THE COOK SAYS

Cook told me this morning how to properly oil a floor, so I pass it on to you. The floor must be allowed to dry after it is scrubbed. Then mix two parts of linseed oil with one part of turpentine and apply this to every part of the floor with a soft cloth.

Rub the oil into the boards, and then rub them thoroughly with a woolen cloth. If the boards are new they can be treated with linseed oil, boiled and hot, applied with a paint brush.

After the oil has stood on the floor for an hour or so it should be well rubbed with a woolen cloth, until the floor no longer looks sticky and oily.

Before using new granite pans, cook says to grease the inside with butter. This will prevent them from chipping and cracking afterward.

To remove the stains from fireproof dishes which have become brown from baking, soak them in strong borax and water.

To keep pots and pans bright, dip each article in strong lye or soft soap, then scour with common sifted coal ashes.

A thick paste made of soda and water is excellent for cleaning glasses in which milk, ice cream or other greasy substance has been standing, cook tells me.

Even when there is no time to make a paste, if the fingers are dipped in water, then in dry soda, and the greasy part of the glass is rubbed around with them, the marks will quickly disappear and the glass become bright.

Lamp chimneys treated in the same way will shine like crystal, while if a lamp burner is boiled for half an hour in soda water it will cause the lamp to burn with renewed brilliancy.

When it is necessary to boil a cracked egg, cook says to add a little vinegar to the water. This will prevent the white from boiling out.

An egg that has been too lightly boiled may be put into the saucepan again, even after the top has been taken off, if an ordinary pin be dropped into it in a conspicuous place, when it will be found that none of the egg has been lost.

Care should be taken to remove the pin.

If your vegetables or preserves scorch while cooking, advises cook, remove the vessel instantly from the range and set it in a pan of cold water, letting it remain there for 10 or 15 minutes. At the end of that time you will find that the scorched taste has all vanished from the food.

When cooking cabbage, turnips or onions, boil at same time some vinegar with few spices. This will destroy all vegetable odor.

When boiling a ham, leave it in the water in which it has been boiled until it is quite cold. This will make it juicy and tender.

To clean the nickel on a range or other stove, cook finds the most satisfactory results obtained by rubbing it with a cloth, moistened in equal parts of turpentine and vinegar, and then polishing with newspaper.

This will cut all grease which so often collects on cooking stoves.

Paint your gas stove with silver enamel paint twice a year, she says. This keeps it in good condition, saves blacking, and you will not soil the daintiest dress around it.

WHAT HORTENSE TOLD ME

Hortense has given me one of the most delightful creams to use on the face. She calls it Orange Blossoms and it surely is as wonderful as its name. It will soften and whiten the face, and is also good for massaging. It is not as greasy as most creams. You can prepare it as follows:

Spermaceti, six drams; oil of sweet almonds, four ounces; white wax, six drams; glycerin, one and one-half ounces; borax, two drams; orange flower water, two ounces; oil of petitgrain, fifteen drops; oil of neroli, fifteen drops; oil of bigarade (orange skin), fifteen drops.

Warm the spermaceti, wax and almond oil in a double boiler until they become creamy; then add the glycerin to the orange flower water and let the borax dissolve in this. Pour this mixture into the first one, stirring constantly. Just before the cream congeals, pour in the perfumed neroli drop by drop.

Hortense says to keep it clean, the face requires one thorough washing daily with warm water, an agreeable soap and wash cloth or soft flesh brush. This treatment is best given at night. In the morning, then, it is not necessary to use soap on the face. Warm water and then cold will be sufficient to freshen one.

There are many, she says, who cannot use soap. The best thing to do is to use a bran bag instead. When the face is in need of a thorough cleansing, after a trip in the train, for instance, a cold cream bath will remove the dirt and the bran cloth will finish the work in a satisfactory way.

To make a bran bag mix equal quantities of powdered oatmeal and bran together, and to a pint add one-half cup of powdered soap. To this add about one ounce of powdered orris root. Fill small bags and use in the bath.

One of the worst disfigurements that women fall heir to is the growth of superfluous hair on the upper lip. Hortense thinks many and varied are the remedies suggested, but such should be followed with the greatest discrimination and judgment.

An excellent cure, she suggests, as follows: Moisten the superfluous hairs with simple sulfo solution. It will be found that this application will dissolve the hair, and, whether heavy or light, it will disappear in a few moments.

Most depilatories are apt to leave a red spot and an extreme irritation of the skin, but this particular remedy will leave the skin soft, smooth and clear. Its action is gentle and most effective in immediately removing the hair.

The thin girl is popular this winter, but Hortense thinks that even thin girls must be a little plump and not all bones. The first step towards this thin phenomenon is to avoid nerves, fretting and irritability. Retire early and remain in bed as long as possible.

Drink no tea or coffee, rather milk, cocoa or chocolate. Take mashed potatoes with butter, or cream, oatmeal, fruit bread, honey eggs, tapioca; in short, all sugary and oily foods. No meat. Take great care to eat slowly and masticate each morsel thoroughly.

A nap either before or after dinner is beneficial. Exercise must be regular and moderate. Horseback riding, tennis and boating are good. Vocal exercises enlarge the chest. Small doses of cod liver oil should be taken several times a day.

Few people pay the proper amount of attention to their feet. Hortense tells me they require fully as much, if not more, attention than the hands. First and most emphatically bathe them every day. This rule goes without exception. The foot bath should consist of hot water and a few drops of toilet (or even household) ammonia.

Take good care to file down the nails, and push back the cuticle on the toes just as the manicurist does. Otherwise a serious and painful "ingrown toenail" may follow.

If the feet are given to excessive perspiration powder lightly every morning and night with pulverized alum. Callous spots from walking, dancing, etc., may be removed by soaking in hot water and rubbing with pumice-stone.

No one can help feeling so at time in this age of rush and racket, but it is quite possible to put on the brake, as it were, and not let the nerves run away with us. Here are a few wise hints on the subject from Hortense:

If people fret you, it is not necessary to be rude to them. Try, instead, to avoid them. Don't read books that irritate you. Books are plentiful, therefore put away the offending volume and choose another. If a noise at night worries you, don't let it continue to do so. Get up and see to the matter, and put it right.

Don't let yourself get into the habit of being bored. It is not worth while. When you feel it coming on, plunge at once into some task that will take all your time and energy.

It is better to run away from certain things than let them irritate you. Such martyrdom is usually unnecessary, and bad for you all round.

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handsome, but unquestionably they are a little heavy for the making of blouses. Consequently, this costume which combines velvet with charmeuse satin is exceedingly practical as well as an exceedingly smart one. The skirt is in two pieces, and the back may be left plain or trimmed with circular ruffles. The blouse tells its own story, and is made with regulation sleeves, while the chemisette portion can be either of the same or contrasting material. Here the velvet is black and the charmeuse is white and black and white is much worn, but it would be easier to make the pretty effect by using brown or sand color for the velvet with either a white blouse or one of matching color; or, in place of the charmeuse could be used crepe de chine or crepe meteore, for these materials are pretty and fashionable and in every way adapted to such purposes. If a very handsome effect is wanted, velvet in brown or sand-colored velvet with blouse of faille to match could be used to make a very smart gown, since both the colors and the materials are much exploited.

For the medium size, the blouse will require 3 1-2 yds. of material 27 in. wide, 2 1-2 yds. 36, 2 yds. 44, 5-8 yd. 36" for the vest and collar and cuffs, 60 yds. for banding. For the skirt, 4 1-2 yds. 27 in. wide, 3 3-4 yds. 36 or 44 in. wide, with 1 5-8 yds. of fur banding.

The cape always makes a convenient wrap and this season it is exceedingly smart. Here is a graceful and becoming one that can be made with straight front edges or in cutaway effect and which as shown is made of broadcloth with trimming of fur. Unquestionably broadcloth is a fashionable material and always a pretty one as well as serviceable one but silks are greatly in vogue this season and velvets are and there are many varieties of both to be found. Moire poplin is much liked for wraps, brocaded velvets and brocaded silk are really sumptuous in effect and plain charmeuse satin is beautiful while any of these materials can be interlined to provide sufficient warmth. Among extremely rich and handsome materials are brocaded silks enriched with metal threads but, after all, broadcloth is pretty enough if the color is well chosen. This season plain linings of pretty harmonizing but light colors are liked for fancy materials, but plain materials are enriched by brocaded linings.

The cape will require 4 yds. of material 36 or 44 in. wide, 2 5-8 yds. 52, with 8 yds. of fur banding.

Nothing makes a more interesting feature of the winter than the very great variety of the furs worn. The little chipmunk is the latest addition to the available list and the exceedingly smart suits are trimmed with his skin or with imitation thereof.

Princess slips for wear beneath evening gowns are among the necessities of the complete wardrobe. The new ones are very charming, made of soft crepe de chine with accordion plaited skirts and under bodices that are trimmed with insets of wide lace near the upper straight edges and are held over the shoulders by ribbon bands.

The sudden demand for high collars and chokers of one sort and another has brought about the making of a great many attractive novelties. Now there are to be found pretty little bands of black tulle over white, plaited and finished with bands of velvet ribbon through the center and these bands held in place by means of cut silver knobs.

Pearls are always so exquisite and so particularly beautiful with evening dress that the introduction of cultivated pearls that have much of the beauty of the rarest gems yet of much less cost cannot fail to be of interest. As we all know, the pearl really represents the effort of the bivalve to cast out of its shell a grain of sand which is covered with a solution in the futile attempt. In the eastern waters they are planting beds of these same bi-valves and introducing in the shells tiny little bits of suitable material with the direct intention of forcing the creatures to create pearls to order, so to speak. Since the introduced object is bigger than the grain of sand, the cultivated pearl is a trifle less perfect and is apt to be flat on the under side, but it is wonderfully beautiful nevertheless, and of various sorts at prices that bring it within the reach of modest incomes.

No feature of the new blouses is more interesting than the collars. A pretty model and one which is much liked is made of fine Georgette crepe with the front embroidered by hand. The neck forms just a small V between the blouse and the turned-over collar, the ends of which meet at the front leaving the neck open for a few inches below.

Lace of all kinds is being worn this season, and the lovely Spanish lace is shown in characteristic and really fascinating scarfs. They are carried to the opera, to the theatre and used whenever a scarf of genuine, or slight warmth is needed.

There is a veritable craze for beads just now and a great many beautiful gowns are trimmed with beads applied over a stamped design. The work is very easy to do and is exceedingly effective, so it has much to commend it. Round beads and small bugles, both are used for the purpose and sometimes one color is used throughout and sometimes a combination of colors. Care must be taken not to stamp the material for the beads do not make a continuous line. The best method is to stamp on tissue paper and to paste over the material.

There are also beautiful garnitures offered ready to wear that are really practical. Fascinating coats and even little capes are shown in attractive, and the vari-colored beads that are beautiful and so much used just now, and in fact, beads are so generally exploited just now that they are to be found given over to many uses. Entire unmade robes are offered made of thin nets completely covered with iridescent beads to produce a most brilliant and scintillating effect.

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OF INTEREST TO WOMEN

Maiwatchin, on the borders of Russia, in Asia, is womanless.

Over 100,000 women in Kentucky are unable to read or write.

Queen Victoria of Spain spends over $40,000 a year for costumes.

Most of the sculpture work at the Panama exposition is being done by women.

Woman suffrage has been indorsed by the New York State Federation of Women's Clubs.

Brazilian women of wealth regard shopping as undignified and send a servant for samples.

There are over 4600 Chinese females and over 2000 Japanese women in the United States.

Fifty per cent of the female workers in the United States are under 21 years of age.

Among the over 4500 applicants for positions in New York city last week there were 573 women.

Unemployment caused by the war increases among women in London at the rate of 1000 a week.

Teachers in the public schools of New York city must be over 45 years of age to marry and continue in their positions.

The bundesrath of Germany has decided to furnish financial and medical assistance to women at the time of childbirth.

Mrs. F. E. Lowrey has sailed for Liberia, where she will take a trip into the wilds of Darkest Africa, taking moving pictures as she goes.

Miss Miriam Van Waters, who is superintendent of the Detention Home in Portland, Ore., has three college degrees.

Miss Margaret Foley is again back in Boston to pursue her work of gaining better legislation for women and children in Massachusetts.

Lady Jellico, wife of the head of the British navy, has established a temporary hall for women in the Hammonsmith road section of London.

Mrs. Charles S. Whitman, wife of the governor-elect in New York, is an ardent suffragist and is doing all she can to assist in its educational propaganda.

The State Grange Patrons of Husbandry will ask the next legislature in New Jersey to appropriate $50,000 to erect and support a state college for women.

Several hundred women of southern birth in Washington have seceded from the Congressional union because they claim that it is an undignified organization.

Mrs. J. H. Blondin, formerly Miss Mae Cochran of New York, has been elected county tax collector in Glen County, Cal., at a salary of $1500 a year.

Since the women of Norway now have equal rights with men they have dissolved the Society for Suffrage of Women, there being no reason for its activities.

Mrs. Arthur M. Dodge, president of the National Association Opposed to Woman Suffrage, claims that only one per cent of the women in the United States are suffragists.

In China the Easter bonnet is unknown and the nearest approach to a hat is the high headdress of the Manchu woman, who must be married in order to boast this adornment.

Mrs. Elizabeth Blaker is now serving as the town crier at Chertsey, England, while her husband, the holder of the post, is at the front. This is the first time that a woman has acted in this capacity.

Young girls have been advised to keep away from Chicago by a woman's organization of that city, which has issued circulars telling of the perils that a girl must contend with in the Windy City.

The Duchess of Marlborough has fortified her London home against Zeppelin attacks by having a steel wire netting stretched across the roof of her house at the height of several feet.

Mrs. Anna T. Steinacrer will probably be Boston's first policewoman as Mayor Curley has declared that he will find a way to appoint her to the police force despite the fact that he has no authority under the law.

Many thousands of women are employed by the British government as telegraphic and telephone operators, both systems now being owned and worked by the government. These women are paid from $6.75 to $10 per week.

The only woman in the United States to wear the cross of the Legion of Honor is Mrs. S. P. R. Dugmore of Great Neck, L. I., who was Mrs. Bramhall Gilbert before her marriage to Captain Dugmore of the British army.

Gov.-elect Whitman of New York will receive a delegation of suffragists, who will advise him as to the nature of the message regarding woman suffrage which he will first give to the legislature.

Mrs. Barbara Schunemann is skipper of the ship that will bring Chicago its supply of Christmas trees this year. Mrs. Schunemann has chartered the schooner Lucky and with her two daughters will bring a cargo of 22,000 trees.

In order that larger contributions can be made for the relief of the suffering both at home and abroad, 34 girls who will make their debut in Baltimore society shortly have agreed to refrain from extravagance in entertainments.

Miss Lillian Scott has been elected president of the Kansas State Teachers association, and it is the first time in 52 years' history of the association that a woman has been so honored. Miss Scott has been head of the department of pedagogy in Baker university since 1891.

SUN FEATURES TUESDAY

Old Timer, Automobile Page, The Workbag, The Sickabed Lady, French Maid, Rabbit's Foot, Sleepytime Tales

The Old Timer will continue to relate the social, political and general events of quarter of a century ago.

Perhaps some fortunate ones will receive automobiles for Christmas presents. Such a gift would be most acceptable, of course. The Sun's automobile page will be published tomorrow and will be of interest to owners, and prospective owners. Read the auto news and the auto ads.

Directions for removing foreign matter from the eyes, for the treatment of a sty, will be found in "The Sickabed Lady" in tomorrow's Sun. This article will also describe methods of obtaining relief from ingrowing toenails, for a sore chest, and will tell how to get rid of warts.

Little useful novelties which may be made either for one's own use or to be given to friends for Christmas are described in "The Lady's Workbag."

There are many ways for the woman of today to remain young, according to the writer of "The Rabbit's Foot," and these will be told in this article tomorrow.

Little readers of The Sun will enjoy "The Man and Dandy," a pleasing sleepytime story which will be printed tomorrow.

How some attractive negligee dainties may be made will be told by "The French Maid" tomorrow.

WINTER COSTUMES—GARMENTS OF GRACE AND SIMPLICITY—NEW MODELS COMING FROM FRANCE

Thanksgiving passed and over the winter seems fairly to have begun, all sorts of holiday thoughts are in the air, and holiday plans are sure to be in process of making. While it is likely that this year will see a little less luxury and a little less extravagance than usual, Christmas promises a gay season and little by little we are getting back to a normal condition and a rational appreciation of matters as they stand. Undoubtedly the holiday trade will do its part toward re-establishing a normal attitude, and in every way there is evidence to be found of that return to confidence which means ultimately good times. In matters sartorial, the great question appears to be from whence will come the new designs? But since we are learning rapidly that we can create for ourselves, that bugbear is being rapidly laid to rest. Among the manufacturers there is indeed evidence of good already growing out of the strain, for they are holding exhibitions and meetings that tend toward harmony and co-operation rather than cut-throat rivalry. Once we reach that stage, we will have taken a big step toward real success. One of the important facts to be remembered in connection with Parisian designs is the absolute integrity with which they are treated and the respect that one designer shows for the other. When we have learned to respect designs, we respect other property, the road to success will have been made a smoother one.

If we need encouragement along the lines of home products the stage stands ready to supply it. A well-known actress, now playing in a successful role, stated in an interview within the last few days that her costumes have been made in this country throughout her entire career, that even when she has gone abroad to produce a play, she has taken her costumes with her, and her statement should stand for a great deal. There is no exponent of fashion more conspicuous today than the stage. If once it is known and realized that actresses are ready to employ home skill, a big battle will have been fought and won. That home talent always has been recognized by the women who travel most, who are most in contrast with the best on the other side, is true and has been true. There are individuals prominent in social life who prefer American evening gowns to any that can be bought abroad, and there are numberless women of great wealth who realize the skill that is to be found within our shores, but they are individuals and influence only an individual circle. The actress reaches the entire public, and her approval consequently is of consummate value. A successful singer now playing important roles on the vaudeville stage wears only American costumes. Within the week she appeared in a long coat of green velvet, trimmed with wonderful mink, that could not be more graceful or more becoming were it heralded by the greatest name known to the Parisian world. It has simple lines, with a straight body portion, and flaring skirt that completely covers the gown. It is opened in the form of a V in the neck, and is finished with a fur collar that meets a deep girdle. It is made with long, plain sleeves that are edged with deep cuffs of fur, and there is a wide mink band around the skirt. The front edges are lapped and buttoned together with their entire length, with buttons covered with velvet. The close-fitting little toque is of mink with a little stick-up of ostrich in the front and on the back. There is grace and there is dignity in every line of the garment and the simplicity is perfectly adapted to the rich and beautiful material.

An evening gown that is worn by the same player, is all of black net with trimming of jet. It consists of a cuirass-like basque, that is cut straight across close under the arms, and that extends below the hip lines. This basque consists of succession of wide tucks or folds, each over-lapping the other, arranged over a foundation of thin pliable silk. Below is a full gathered skirt of the net, finished with three bands of beautiful jet trimming. The basque is held at the upper edge by straps of jet, and there is a cape of the net that hangs over the shoulder, and over the gown at the back, the point just reaching the uppermost row of trimming. This cape is edged with jet and held by a band of the trimming that passes round the neck and is crossed over the shoulder straps to give a unique unusual effect. With the gown are worn black lace stockings, black satin slippers with small rhinestone buckles and a necklace with a diamond pendant, and a bracelet of the same brilliant gems. While all will be seen from the description that the general trend of the season has been followed in both costumes there is a distinctive note of personality and originality that means real charm. In the sense of terror that seemed to seize upon the world of dress for a short time after the war was declared there existed really more of superstition than of fact. We are getting and will get a fair number of models from abroad, and we will always learn much from what France has to offer, but we also are able to adapt for our own needs. We do not want anything that is distinctively our own.

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KEEP POLITICS OUT

The framers of the Lowell city charter had a definite object in mind when they decided that elections to municipal offices should be non-partisan. They realized very well that mayors, councilmen and aldermen under the old system of government played politics in many cases as much after election as before election, and made no apology for so doing. The party tag took the poison out of many an undesirable move and the political affiliation of a candidate for any position in the power of the municipal heads to bestow, coupled with his strength in that particular party, covered a multitude of defects. If a man was to be selected to any department or if any favor were to be granted officially, the influence of the selection on the political future of those granting the favor was the primary consideration.

We have grown away from this so far as our charter is concerned, but have we changed the spirit in the change of form? It is to be feared that we have not entirely eliminated party politics from the administration of our affairs. During campaigns the terms "democrat" and "republican" are heard quite freely and efforts are often made even by the candidates themselves to divide the electorate on such lines. This is against the spirit of our charter and hence to be avoided if the charter is to be properly applied. A non-partisan election should be non-partisan in more than name, and the non-partisan principle should actuate those elected in all their official actions. If they disregard this obvious principle, they injure the city's future and they pile up a great deal of trouble for themselves, individually and collectively.

If the non-partisan clause of the charter should be binding on the electorate, still more so should it be on our municipal heads in all their public actions. Nobody in this city is blind to the fact that not so very long ago certain moves were made at city hall from purely political motives. Certain mutual concessions were agreed on early in the administration, and the public could prognosticate the attitude of some officials on certain specific questions affecting the public welfare—knowing that an arrangement, direct or indirect, existed among certain groups of our officials. This was very undesirable but it was also very real.

There is always the danger, however, that to attain some present advantage, municipal heads will choose a course that their better self stamps as being against the charter and the public interest. Political expediency is not troubled much, unfortunately, with high idealism. Occasionally, to get a certain vote or to propitiate a certain group in the body politic, officials will hide behind the mask of political insincerity and endeavor to fool the public. They may succeed once or twice, but, in the end, politicians fool themselves when they think they are making a profound impression with their political strategy.

Let us have a business administration, fair, open and efficient, both in the school board and at city hall. Rarely has the city been confronted with more serious questions. There is not a municipal department that does not call for extraordinary activity, to meet which will tax the best efforts of our commissioners and school committee members. The things that await action cannot be done by a play of politics. The city needs individual activity and courage in its officials. Let us then have an open and business-like administration that every good citizen can approve and commend.

TRUST FUNDS VOTED AWAY

City Treasurer Stiles in a statement to The Sun has satisfactorily explained the disappearance of the Tyler and Thomas Nesmith trust funds long before he became treasurer, in fact almost immediately after the funds were accepted by the city. One of $26,000 was voted away by the city council in 1871 and another of $10,000 in 1873, while neither has ever been replaced.

The present generation, knowing nothing of this transaction, supposed the money was merged with other funds in the general treasury and used for the ordinary expenses of the city as was the Huntington hall insurance money without any special authorization by the city council. That is why it seemed necessary to find when and for what purpose the money was spent before proceeding to replace it by a loan. Now that the expenditure of these funds is fully explained by the city treasurer, there is nothing left for the municipal council but to borrow $36,000 to replace the funds which should then be segregated and put beyond reach of any future city council.

We fully agree with Col. Carmichael that it was a piece of foolishness to accept such funds in the first place; but the only course left now is to protect the funds and meet the obligations they impose promptly or else appeal to the legislature for relief from those obligations.

COMPENSATION FOR ACCIDENTS

In a bulletin just issued the federal bureau of labor statistics dwells on the subject of compensation for accidents to employes of the United States and emphasizes many points not generally known to the public. Now that 24 states have made provision for compensation in one form or another the principle is regarded as one of the accepted reforms, but as recent as 1908, the act entitled "An act granting to certain employes of the United States the right to receive from it compensation for injuries sustained in the course of their employments" established the first general accident compensation law in this country.

When the law came into effect in August, 1908, its provisions protected artisans and laborers in manufacturing establishments, arsenals and navy yards, river and harbor and fortification work, hazardous employment in the reclamation of arid lands and under the Isthmian Canal commission. It was later extended to include all employes under the Isthmian Canal commission and to take in employes in the bureau of mines, the lighthouse service and some branches of the forestry service. It is estimated to embrace approximately 95,000 persons, or "somewhat less than one-fourth of the civilian employes of the United States." The government compensation law differs in form from the laws enacted in the states, but the bulletin of the labor department says that it was influential in directing the adoption of such legislation in the 24 states that boast of such laws.

The wide scope of the government act may be surmised from some condensed figures. The number of accidents reported in all departments the first year was 4,587, for the second year 6,389, rising to 9,381 in the third year and to over 10,000 in the fourth. In the fifth year the number was 9,876, making a total of 42,290 for the five years it has been in operation. The total paid out in compensation amounted to $1,503,922.27. At present there is a movement on foot for the amendment of the law and its extension to cover all employes of the United States and to provide compensation for all accidents resulting in death or disability continuing for more than three days.

THE MERCHANT MARINE

The Boston Post is not enthusiastic about that clause of the president's recent message which had to do with the reorganization of the merchant marine. It will be remembered that the recommendation was for government-owned ships until the venture was made profitable, the function of transportation then to be turned over to private concerns. The Post holds, and consistently, that the situation which is outlined by the chief executive would be virtually a state of competition between the government and private capital, to the disadvantage of the latter. It calls attention, too, to the possibility of loss in the early stages of the new policy and asks "What earthly chance then would private owners have to get into the game at all?" It would be nothing short of ruinous to our future shipping if the well meant government aid turned out to be a serious obstacle.

Those who support the president's contention urge the necessity for prompt action as the ruling consideration and declare that the government-managed ideal is not the best but is the only feasible plan if we are to take full advantage of our industrial opportunities at the present time. The one main deduction to be derived from the wide discussion is that private interests have not been conspicuous either for patriotism or good business up to the present, with regard to our foreign shipping—if things are as represented. Everybody agrees that "something" should be done, but, what is the best "something" to do?

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A CHRISTMAS TRUCE

This Christmas, in a great part of the Christian world, instead of the Christmas bells that from hill to hill answer each other through the mist, shot and shell will thunder out a terrible threnody and brother will fly at the throat of brother at the command of practical generals. Nothing could be further from ideal Christianity than the conditions in Europe, and in all probability to day of all days will rise in a red dawn and die out in a bloody sunset. The angels may come down again on the hills of Judea to chant their "Gloria in excelsis" but their "Peace on earth" will be drowned out in the cannonade of the rival armies. If Pope Benedict XV had his way, all the nations would have agreed to a truce over Christmas but his plans were defeated by the opposition of a "certain power," which, according to Germany, is Russia. It seems too bad, in a sentimental sense that the truce was not agreed on, as it might have proved the preliminary for permanent peace. If the truce were to be merely a halt in the fighting, it would not prove of much permanent advantage, though it would be another acceptable offering at the crib of Bethlehem.

GRADE CROSSING AGAIN

Lowell people of an older generation were shocked a few days ago to read that Rev. Charles L. Merriam, a minister who was known favorably in this city, was killed in an automobile accident at Hackensack, N. J., last Thursday night, returning from a wedding at which he had officiated. The details of the accident score another point against unprotected railroad crossings and, like all such occurrences, give us of Lowell something that we ought to ponder on for a little while. The clerical party which met with such a sad calamity was, it is to be presumed, exercising more care than the ordinary automobile party, but the crossing was such that trains could not be seen until the tracks were reached. The engineer of the train said that the whistle was blown several times but it was not apparently heard by any of the occupants of the car, being drowned out by the noise of the auto's engine. Taken all in all, such accidents prove that the only way to safeguard the public adequately is to do away with the crossings. It is a costly requirement but the loss from accidents is far greater in the long run both to the railroads and to the public.

THE SHEDD ICE PARK

The annual flooding of Shedd park for the purpose of transforming it into a skating rink is something that brings gladness to the parents of the city as well as to the children. Already it has been the means of saving many lives and as time goes on it will be a still greater boon. It now remains for all who have charge of the children of the city to prevent their skating on any other body of water, if possible, as Shedd park is the only really safe place for juveniles who want to enjoy the ruling sport of the season. Many grown ups who have foresworn skating delights take pleasure annually in the sight of the hundreds who skim over the Shedd park surface, finding health and happiness in airy motion.

SEEN AND HEARD

Noah Boozer is a great temperance lecturer in Illinois.

The man with horse sense keeps a bridle on his temper.

After sizing up the jewelry worn by most of the princesses a fellow wonders where all the stained glass factories are located.

MARSHALL AND MAYOR

Mayor Barry of Nashua wishes to know why Congressman-elect Wason did not bring Vice President Marshall to call upon the chief executive of the city during his recent visit there.

Mr. Wason says in reply that when he and the vice president passed the city hall they looked up at the mayor's office and not seeing him in the window concluded he was not at home. And if the mayor does not like that explanation we presume he can frame up one for himself.—The Concord Monitor.

WHO KNOWS?

In the ordinary news of the day is found the following:

The schooner Gaviota reported that 120 miles south of Valparaiso she found a portion of the body of a British sailor floating on a lifebuoy from an English warship.

The battle, a sinking ship, a plunge into the stormy depths, and then, by the mercy of God, a lifebuoy! Long hours, days and nights, waiting for a sail, exhaustion and a shark! Who knows?—Philadelphia Ledger.

A FAIR SAMPLE

Looking over The Sun I came across the announcement of "The One-Man Quartet," a musical act now playing at the Opera House, and the "ad" recalled an amusing incident that occurred at city hall a few years ago, and which has never been published. It seems that a certain high city official and a leading citizen were making arrangements for a monster banquet that was to be given at the armory and at this particular meeting assignments of speakers and prominent citizens at the head table were being made. They had about finished their work when suddenly the leading citizen said: "Hold on, one minute. We must provide seats for the quartet at the head table." "That's so, I never thought of them," replied the city official. "Let's see; how many men are there in that quartet?"

PERILS OF A REPORTER

Men not accustomed to being interviewed for the press are very likely, when they vary from custom, to say more than they had intended, and to say it differently. If such men occupy high positions and their printed remarks produce unexpected embarrassments it is an old and modern practice to repudiate the review and discredit the reporter. This is one of the perils of an interviewer.

The British war office has denied the accuracy of an interview with Lord Kitchener obtained by an American journalist.—Philadelphia Telegraph.

THE BYPLAY MINSTRELS

"Mister Interlocutor, can you tell me why next Monday is like a baby that can't hold up its head?"

"No, Mr. Bones, I cannot. Will you tell us why?"

"Because it's neck's weak."

"Very good, Mr. Bones. How did you like that joke, Mr. Tambo?"

"I didn't like it, Mister Interlocutor. I heard that joke about a week back."

"After the gentlemanly ushers have removed the dead and injured, Signor O. Chokeimoff will render that pathetic ballad: 'We've Named the Baby Rosie After Dear, Old Grandpa's Nose.'"

WHAT HE WANTED

The Boston man entered the Boston hardware store while the clerk was chatting with a drummer from the middle west.

"What can I do for you?" asked the clerk as he walked over to meet the customer.

"Sir," replied the Boston man, "I desire to purchase a device in which, by means of a pedal attachment, a fulcrumed lever converts a vertical reciprocating motion into a circular movement. The device contains a huge disc that revolves in a vertical plane, and power is applied through the axles of the disc, and work is done on the periphery, and steel, by mere impact, may be reduced to any desired shape."

"Yes sir," replied the clerk. "I will send the device to your address."

"What in Sam Hill did that fellow want?" asked the drummer.

"A grindstone," replied the clerk.

AN ABANDONED CITY

The land office has the once promising metropolis of Springdale, Nevada, on its hands. Years ago Springdale was laid out, and sprang into being. It seems to have flourished for a time, on the crest of a mining boom, though probably the prospect of the alluring blue prints did not fully materialize. At any rate, Springdale has now expired. It is abandoned.

One of the leading citizens is reported to have made a homestead and desert entry under the public land laws all over the boulevards and avenues where choice city lots were formerly sold.

It may be gathered from this example that the fate of an abandoned city is to become agricultural, mining or forest land. And, back to the farm it may be again abandoned.—Providence Journal.

ANIMOSITIES DIE, TOO

Looking forward with confidence to the ultimate triumph of the allies, the "London Spectator" comes out emphatically in favor of letting Russia have Constantinople without a protest, but with a blessing. The paper well says that "Russia is by far the greatest of the Black Sea powers, and she ought to be given the key to her own back door."

That puts the question of the outlet of the Black Sea as neatly and logically as it can be put. In the memory of some still living England and Russia were at war over this very question. Just about 101 years ago England and Germany and Austria were at war with France.

The animosities die more slowly but as surely as the soldiers who are their victims.—Hartford Courant.

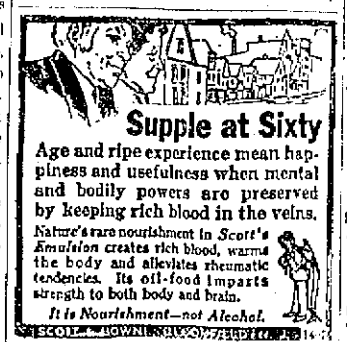
CONSTANCY

It is something, sweet, when the world goes ill,
To know you are faithful and love me still;
To feel when the sunshine has left the skies,
That the light is shining in your dear eyes;
Beautiful eyes, more dear to me
Than all the wealth of the world could be.

It is something, dearest, to feel you near,
When life with its sorrows seems hard to bear;
To feel, when I falter, the clasp divine
Of your tender and trusting hand in mine;
Beautiful hand, more dear to me
Than the tenderest thing on earth could be.

Sometimes, dearest, the world goes wrong,
For God gives grief with His gift of song;
And poverty, too, but your love is more
To me than riches and golden store;
Beautiful love, until death shall part,
It is mine—as you are—my own sweetheart!

—Frank L. Stanton.



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EDITORIAL COMMENT

A REST NEEDED

It is duly moved and seconded that Manchester declare a closed season on municipal partisan politics.

It is time to have one. The long shots have scored or missed, the winners have brought home the prizes, and the lame ducks are limping and muttering to their roosts and explaining that, after all, it's no killing matter. And the rest of us are settling down with a sigh of relief that it is all over. Elections have come pretty close together recently; and a good many people are surfeited with partisan eloquence.—Manchester Leader.

A CHRISTMAS TRUCE

The pope's suggestion of a cessation of fighting during the Christmas holidays has been approved by Germany. It is a good suggestion. Nothing may come of it; even if all the belligerents agree and hostilities do cease for a few days the only result may be to prolong the war just so much. There is always the chance, however, that once the contestants have stopped fighting, they will have time to consider the folly of ever starting in again, and in that case they would be so much nearer to permanent peace.—New Bedford Standard.

SEA FIGHTS

From the practical viewpoint, the war viewpoint, the destruction of the German high sea fleet is of huge importance. As a sea fight, however, as a thing of spectacular appeal, it shows us how far we have traveled from the old days of the Bon Homme Richard and the Serapis, the Constitution and the Guerriere, the Monitor and the Merrimac. Strategy that resulted in bringing superior ships against inferior was the determining factor. Fighting five miles apart eliminates all of that dramatic appeal which the old-time sea battle possessed.—Worcester Gazette.

LARGE ARMIES

When they tell the strength of the military nations—so many hundred thousand soldiers, and so many battleships—it might be thought that any two of them might be set in the ring together, and then the fighter with the fewer ships and the fewer thousands of soldiers would get knocked out.

It is not so simple as that. The biggest fleet, like the British, has the biggest task to perform. The strongest army, like the Germans, has the biggest enemies to meet. Each has its tasks. Each of them is more or less completely tied to its task. Not one of them could send the greater part of its fighting strength to a great distance from the defence work to which it is assigned.—Lewiston Sun.

THE COST OF DIPLOMACY

On his return from the post of ambassador to France, Myron T. Herrick not only declines to discuss the incipient presidential boom started in his behalf, but he tells his interviewers he must settle down and earn some money toward replacing the $400,000 his duties in Paris have cost him. It appears that besides rendering valuable services in the crisis of the year, Mr. Herrick has devoted a generous sum from his private means to his work for the government that now recalls him to make room for a political appointee. Such is the gratitude of republics—and the expense of ambassadorships.—Brockton Times.

CARD OF THANKS

The undersigned wish to express sincere thanks to those who by any act of kindness or word of consolation helped to lighten the burden of our sorrow in our recent sudden bereavement in the death of our loving son and brother, William Nagle. Especially do we wish to mention the employes of the Stirling mills and the U. S. Cartridge Co. For the many beautiful floral and spiritual offerings tendered we are especially grateful. All will ever be held in remembrance by

Mrs. Abbie Nagle and Family.

RELIC OF WITCH DAYS

SALEM, Dec. 14.—A more than symbolic reminder of one of the historic things which have gone to make this city famous all over the civilized world reposes prominently in a glass-topped case in the office of the clerk of courts of Essex county in the Salem court building.

The historic episode, of course, was that which has given this city its nickname of the Witch city—the witchcraft superstition which flourished in the early days of the town. And the reminder is nothing other than the actual transcript of some records of a famous Salem witchcraft case, with exhibits which go with it.

The most striking thing in the exhibit is a huge, well-worn and time-seasoned book containing, in ancient-looking handwriting, some interesting relics of old witch days. On one page is the death warrant of Bridget Bishop, the first person executed in Salem on a witchcraft charge, and its perusal is an illuminating commentary on the judicial methods of the day. On the opposite page is a transcript of the direct examination of Rebekah Nurse, one of those who evidently gave some of the principal testimony in the famous case. The latter is in the handwriting of Rev. Samuel Paris, who, as the commentary on the case tells was "among the most active in the delusion." It was in this reverend gentleman's house that the strange doings are said to have originated.

In another part of the exhibit are shown a number of time-worn looking pins, which are described as having been produced in court as evidence in the case. It is explained that the accusing girls were to testify during the trial of the case that their flesh was pricked with these instruments of alleged torture, which have a somewhat wicked look.

Last but not perhaps least interesting reposes the county seal used on the warrants for arrest in those days. It has a monogram spelling "Essex," and it dates back to 1687.

PRESENTED TO SOCIETY

DELIGHTFUL EVENT HELD IN HONOR OF MISS ELIZABETH TALBOT OF NORTH BILLERICA

At a tea given by Mr. and Mrs. Joseph F. Talbot in Thomas Talbot Memorial hall Saturday evening, their daughter, Miss Elizabeth Bradford Talbot, was formally introduced to society. The hall was tastefully decorated for the occasion and presented a very attractive appearance. Following the tea dancing was enjoyed to music furnished by a Boston orchestra. Miss Talbot received numerous floral offerings in honor of the event. The following young women assisted at the tea tables: Misses Eugenia Meigs, Helen Nesmith, Katherine Tucke, Gertrude Parker, Elizabeth Eastman, Leslie Hylan and Meta Jefferson of Lowell; Miss Harriet Taylor of Haverhill, Miss Marion Hudson of Concord, and Miss Virginia Parker of Newton.

PATROLMAN GILLIS' CASE

That an injury he received while arresting an offender some time ago caused him to lose sleep and strength was the defense offered by Patrolman Gillis at a private hearing given before a trial board consisting of Deputy Downey and Sergeants McCloughry and Giroux. Patrolman Gillis was charged with violation of Rule 10, and he was represented at the hearing by Lawyer Haven G. Hill.

The witnesses for the complainant were Captain Atkinson, Lieut. Freeman and Sergeant Ryan. It is said that their testimony was to the effect that the policeman acted strangely when he came from his beat early Thursday morning. When questioned by the superior officers, it is claimed, he refused to make any reply. The three superior officers said that he was intoxicated.

Patrolman Gillis, who has been connected with the police department for nine years, denied that he was drunk and said that he was suffering from an injury sustained while on duty as a police officer.

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Effect of Recent Currency Legislation Highly Beneficial to Business in General

Secretary J. H. Tregoe, of the National Association of Credit Men, in his December letter to officers of affiliated associations, has some very encouraging statements in reference to the effect of the new currency legislation upon business in general:

The business world has few great historical days that it is glad to recall, but last month the corner stone of a vast business institution was laid, which is destined to exert an influence on national and international credits, second to none in the world. If through the Federal Reserve bank, governmental officers and bankers and business men unite unselfishly, patriotically, conservatively, broad-mindedly, placing the interest of the country as a whole first and not a section of it, this institution, possessed of universal confidence, will make Nov. 16th a day ever to be remembered gratefully.

On that day a half century old system began to be supplanted by one more nearly meeting modern demands; a system came into being which for the first time in our commercial life gave paper arising through trade transactions, a recognized place as a national asset, and thus made it possible for our banking credits to expand and contract with the legitimate increasing or demanding demands of manufacture and trade.

No one thinks that the federal reserve system is based upon a perfectly drafted law. Its workings must be studied closely by business men and bankers, and the National Association of Credit Men intends, through its banking and currency committee, to study the law carefully and bring the association's influence to bear from time to time, to improve it as occasion clearly demands.

The significant thing from the association standpoint is that banks, members of the federal system, must now do organized credit department work. A quarter of a century ago even reserve city banks did not have organized credit departments, paper being passed upon in directors' meetings, largely upon the reputation of the makers. In the larger cities this condition has been changed in the last few years, but except in the larger cities it has not been customary for commercial banks to have organized credit departments, and the directors' meeting has continued to be the place where credits were made.

Federal Trade Commission

On Sept. 26, 1914, President Wilson placed his signature on the federal trade commission act, whose purpose is to prevent persons, partnerships and corporations (except banks and common carriers subject to the acts to regulate commerce) from using unfair methods of competition, and in general to regulate interstate business as carried on by persons, partnerships and corporations.

The five members of the commission, whose appointment is by the president, are given large powers of investigation and control so that we have had enacted, without noise and with comparatively little discussion among business men, a piece of legislation for the regulation of commerce such that a body of five men will have resting upon them responsibilities and powers upon the wise and fair exercise of which the advancement of our commerce to a large extent depends.

Unrestrained cancellation of orders imposes great hardship, particularly in some lines, and must be met by an enunciation of principles which all will clearly understand and relate to their own interests. A rule of refusing to accept a cancellation, unless upon mutual agreement, would be received by buyers at first with great remonstrance; but such rule promulgated and enforced would make buyers more cautious and give greater respect for contracts,—a result greatly to be desired.

The Business Situation

There is unquestionably a steadily improving feeling in manufacture and trade. In most lines the improvement has taken form in increased inquiries and in many in distinctly better orders. Best grounds for satisfaction are found in noting the signs of improvement in the iron and steel trade where the steady decline in orders and interest seems finally to have given way to better buying. Complaints regarding collections continue to be general, but with better industrial conditions it is fair to expect they will gradually recover normal. The main factor in the situation is that confidence, so badly shattered two months ago is now well restored, and though we can not look for early resumption of normal business in all lines, the demand for staples is assuming big proportions and this tendency will extend itself to other lines.

The Abuse of Sales Terms

The new discount card is prepared in response to many urgent requests for a concise, direct demand on the part of the association that the abuse of trade terms, and particularly of the cash discount, shall stop. We would like to see every member take part in the great educational campaign of which the card is intended to feature. The price of the card is $1.50 per 500 and $2.50 per 1000, carriage collect.

Foreign Credits Bureau

The proposed establishment of an interchange bureau for foreign credits has already received the approval of those members of our Boston association selling goods in foreign countries, especially in South and Central America, to whom the matter has been presented. Every credit man realizes how difficult it is to get reliable credit information upon merchants thus located.

With proper cooperation on the part of local members, national members, and members of affiliated associations, it is believed that such a bureau could be conducted with protection and profit to all members, materially assisting in developing foreign trade, and eventually becoming one of the important departments of the national association.

SUEZ CANAL IN THE WAY

Interesting Account of the Great Waterway Connecting Red Sea and the Mediterranean

WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 14.—That the Suez canal, figuring so prominently in the military operations to which Turkey is a party, is not the first canal that joined the Red Sea with the Mediterranean, is briefly told in a statement prepared for the press today by the National Geographic society:

"From the morning history, the west has sought to break into the east by way of Suez. Somewhere during the years 1350-1300 B. C., the Egyptians, under Seti I and Rameses II, joined the Nile by way of Lake Timsah to the Red Sea, thus opening a waterway, the archetype of the present canal, from the Mediterranean, over the Suez isthmus, to the Orient. This canal was choked by sand in the course of ages. Necho, about 600 B. C., began a canal from ancient Bubastis, and Darius Hystaspis, one hundred years later, completed the work, once more bringing the Red Sea and Nile together. Although nearly choked up by the beginning of the Christian era, it was navigable to a degree as late as the Battle of Actium, and some of Cleopatra's ships escaped this way to the Red Sea.

"Trajan restored the canal. It fell into disuse and choked up again. Amru, the Islamic conqueror of Egypt, restored it for the last time in the 7th century, connecting Cairo with the Red Sea. Napoleon caused the old route to be surveyed, but was forced to drop the project. After him, Metternich, the great reactionary prime minister of Austria-Hungary, stimulated a Suez commission in 1847. Nothing, however, came of it.

"As the world well knows, the Suez canal was built by the man who failed to build the Panama canal—Count Ferdinand de Lesseps. Its original depth was 26¼ feet, and its bottom width 72 feet. It could accommodate ships of 24 7-12 feet, but it was in operation 11 years, beginning in 1869, before vessels of such draft sought passage. By 1890 its depth had been increased 29½ feet, and when the United States announced its intention to make a canal 41 feet deep and 300 feet wide at its narrowest bottom point, at Panama, the work at Suez was extended so as ultimately to give a bottom width of 134½ feet and a depth of 35 1-12 feet. It was expected that this enlargement would be complete by next year, but the war has interrupted operations.

"How much larger than the average demands for a canal the Panama waterway has been made is strikingly shown by a statement from Suez to the effect that only one per cent of the ships seeking passage by that route have a draft of 28 feet.

"In 1869, ten vessels passed through the Suez canal. In 1912, 5373 ships steamed through, of 20,275,120 net tonnage, and paying for this privilege around $25,000,000. Seven out of every ten of these ships flew the British flag. England has dominated the canal ever since the khedive, in 1875, sold his 176,602 canal shares for $20,000,000, to the British government. These shares are now worth close to $200,000,000.

CATHOLIC CHURCH NEWS

Retreats in Honor of Feast of Immaculate Conception Closed —Solemnity of Feast Observed

In all the Catholic churches yesterday, the solemnity of the feast of the Immaculate Conception was observed in a special manner. In several of the churches retreats had been conducted in honor of the feast, closing yesterday with impressive services.

Immaculate Conception

The solemnity of the feast of the Immaculate Conception was observed yesterday morning in the Immaculate Conception church by the celebration of solemn high mass and devotions, special to the day. The celebrant of the mass was Rev. Owen P. McQuaid, O. M. I., assisted by Rev. John M. O'Brian, O. M. I., as deacon and Rev. James J. McCartin, O. M. I., as subdeacon. The sermon was preached by Rev. Fr. O'Connor, O. P., who dwelt on the subject of the feast, the "Immaculate Conception," and on the glory of ideal womanhood. There was a special musical program and the altar of the Blessed Virgin was beautifully decorated with flowers and lights. Owing to the closing of the mission, there was an unusualy large number of communicants at the early morning masses.

The church was crowded to capacity last evening by the large number of women who attended the official closing of the mission. Services consisted of congregational singing of hymns, recitation of the rosary, papal benediction, sermon and solemn benediction of the blessed sacramant. The closing sermon was preached by Rev. Fr. O'Connor, O. P. It was an eloquent plea to the women of the parish to persevere in the good work so well begun, thus making the mission a source of permanent grace. The scene was very solemn as the hundreds of women with bowed heads awaited the papal benediction at the close of the sermon. Throughout the entire service, all of the clergy of the parish were present within the sanctuary.

A special feature of the feast, which brought the devotions to a close, was a procession round the church, participated in by the clergy, the sanctuary choir and the members of the Immaculate Conception sodality, the Holy Rosary society and the Children of Mary. During the procession special hymns to the Blessed Virgin were sung.

St. Patrick's

The celebrant of the parish mass at St. Patrick's church yesterday morning was Rev. Timothy P. Callahan. The sermon on the gospel of the day was preached by Rev. Joseph A. Curtin. At the 7 o'clock mass the members of the Immaculate Conception sodality received communion in a body, the celebrant of the mass being Rt. Rev. Mgr. William O'Brien, P. R., who was assisted in giving communion by Rev. Joseph A. Curtin. Tomorrow evening a meeting of the members of the Immaculate Conception sodality will be held and the ceremony will close with benediction of the Blessed Sacrament.

Sacred Heart

The very successful retreat for women which started at the Sacred Heart church last Wednesday was brought to a close yesterday evening with a large congregation in attendance. The services consisted of congregational singing, recitation of the rosary, papal benediction, sermon and the benediction of the blessed sacrament. The officiating clergymen at the solemn benediction were Rev. T. Wade Smith, O. M. I., assisted by Rev. Bernard Fletcher, O. M. I., as deacon and Rev. T. Franklin Wood, O. M. I., as subdeacon. An eloquent sermon on "Heaven" was preached by Rev. James T. McDermott, O. M. I.

During the retreat the sermons were given by Oblate fathers from the Immaculate Conception parish and from the Tewksbury novitiate as well as by the priests of the Sacred Heart church. The sermon given at the services on Wednesday evening on "Death and Judgment" was by Rev. James J. McCartin, O. M. I. The instruction Thursday morning was on "Prayer," and was given by Rev. T. Franklin Wood, O. M. I. Thursday evening Rev. Dennis A. Sullivan, O. M. I., preached on "The Struggle of Life," and Friday morning the instructions were on "Contrition," given by Rev. John P. Flynn, O. M. I. Friday night Rev. Robert J. McCoy preached a sermon on "The Mercy of God." Saturday morning the instruction on "Attendance at the Sunday Mass" was given by Rev. James J. Gallagher, O. M. I. He also congratulated the women for the large numbers at the services during the week, particularly at the 5 o'clock mass.

St. Peters

The parish mass at St. Peter's church yesterday morning was celebrated by Rev. W. George Mullin. The sermon on St. John the Baptist was delivered by Rev. Fr. Heffernan.

Holy Name Society

The regularly monthly meeting of the Holy Name society was held in the lower chapel last evening. President Bernard D. Ward recited the rosary and the pastor and spiritual director, Rev. Dr. D. J. Keleher spoke eloquently on the gospel of the day, and he added words of encouragement for the good and welfare of the society. Special music was rendered by the society choir under the direction of John O'Rourke. Miss Lulu Ginty presiding at the organ. There will be a smoke talk in the school hall Friday evening Dec. 18, at 8 o'clock. The speaker will be Charles E. Fay of Boston and a large attendance is expected.

St. Michael's

Rev. Edmund Fox, O. M. I., of Tewksbury was the celebrant at the parish mass at St. Michael's church yesterday, while the sermon was delivered by Rev. Francis J. Mullin. The eight o'clock mass was celebrated by Rev. Dennis J. Murphy and the members of the Immaculate Conception sodality received communion in a body. At 7 o'clock last evening vesper services were held and the service was followed by a reception of new members into the Immaculate Conception, Holy Rosary and the Children of Mary sodalities. Next Sunday the annual election of officers for the Holy Name society will be held.

St. Columbn's

Rev. John A. Degan, pastor, was the celebrant at the 11 o'clock mass at St. Columba's church yesterday and he also delivered the sermon. Tuesday evening a meeting of the Women's sodality will be held.

St. Margaret's

Rev. C. J. Galligan was the celebrant of the parish mass of St. Margaret's church yesterday and he also delivered the sermon, taking his text from the gospel of the day. He announced that the members of the Ladies' sodality will hold their regular meeting Tuesday evening.

St. Joseph's

The celebrant of the parish mass at St. Joseph's church yesterday morning was Rev. L. A. Nolin, O. M. I., while the sermon was delivered by Rev. Armand Baron, O. M. I., who spoke on the gospel of the day. At the 7.30 o'clock mass next Sunday the Children of Mary sodality will receive Holy Communion in a body. Friday morning at 9 o'clock the opening of the Forty Hours' devotions will take place with a solemn high mass. The devotions will come to a close on Sunday morning. On Saturday afternoon the various fraternal and religious organizations of the parish will assemble at the church at a scheduled hour, the assignment being as follows: At 12.30, Angel Guardian sodality; 1 o'clock, Children of Mary; 1.30, Cercle d'Youville; 2, Ste. Anne's sodality; 2.30, Notre Dame de Bonsecours; 3, St. Jean Baptiste; 3.30, l'Union St. Joseph; 4, C. M. A. C.; 4.30, Court St. Antoine, C. O. F.; 5, Artisans Canadiens Francais; 5.30, Court St. Paul, C. O. F.; 6, l'Union St. Jean Baptiste d'Amerique; 6.30, Franco-American Foresters; 7, members of the Third Order of St. Francis and Holy Family sodality; 7.30, Notre Dame de Lourdes sodality.

St. Louis' Church

Rev. J. B. Labossiere, pastor of St. Louis' church, gave a very interesting and instructive illustrated lecture last night at the parochial school hall. The clergyman took for his subject, "Rome and the Vatican." The attendance was very large and the speaker was listened to with great interest. Fr. Labossiere is well versed with the subject for in 1907 he visited the vatican.

A musical program was also given, those taking part being Alphonse E. Drouin, Cornellier's orchestra, Donald Hanson, Miss Yvonne Moisan and others. The proceeds of the evening, which were very substantial, will be devoted to the new church fund.

Closing of Retreat

The retreat for the members of the Notre Dame de Lourdes sodality of St. Joseph's parish came to a close yesterday afternoon at 3 o'clock with Rev. Walter Elpisance, O. M. I., D. D., as the officiating clergyman. The members received Holy Communion at the 7.30 o'clock mass in the morning. At the close of the afternoon service a reception into the sodality was held and the following new members were admitted:

Misses Corinne Allard, Rosalba Beaudoin, Diana Boisvert, Eva Bordeleau, Alma Boulanger, Regina Bruneau, Donalda Chapdelaine, Rosa Clermont, Claudia Cloutier, Edouardina Cote, Yvonne Daigle, Alda Ducharme, Rose Ducharme, Rose Duschesneau, Elisa Ethier, Marie A. Frechette, Jeannette Gauthier, Rosalie Labrie, Regina Lafreniere, Maria Lemay, Marie A. Lemire, Yvonne Lussier, Irene Maillet, Euretta Marin, Marie D. Ouellette, Yvonne Ouellette, Armelia Paquin, Marie Paquin, Yvonne Paradis, Amanda Parent, Ida Perreault, Philomene Perreault, Rose A. Perreault, Jeannette Pratte, Alida Ratelle, Agnes Rivet, Priscille Savignac, Marie L. Simard, Cecile Tardif, Marie Tellier, Rose A. Theriault, Florida Sylvestre and Rose Lafreniere.

TROLLEY CARS COLLIDE

THREE INJURED IN COLLISION AT CAMBRIDGE—WOMEN TAKEN TO HOSPITAL AND LATER SENT HOME

BOSTON, Dec. 14.—An inwardbound Harvard-square-Dudley street car and an outwardbound Waltham car were in collision at the corner of Massachusetts avenue and Brookline street, Cambridge, last night at 7.30, resulting in injuries to three women passengers. A number of other women fainted. The front vestibule of the Dudley street car was smashed, and four windows on the Waltham car were broken. Traffic was held up for half an hour, and was finally diverted on the inward line to Pearl street, pending the removal of the wrecked cars.

The injured women were taken in the Cambridge police ambulance to the Cambridge Relief hospital. They are: Miss Mary Hennessey, 154 Webster ave., Cambridge; Miss May T. Mahoney, 1298 Commonwealth ave., Allston; Miss Esther Archer, Tremont street, Newton. They were able to go to their homes last night.

Miss Josephine MacInnis, 219 Fisher ave., Brookline; Miss Anna McInnis, 2 Butler st., Dorchester and Miss Anna Chalsson, 25 Common street, Belmont, were overcome in the excitement, and were given treatment at a drug store.

The accident happened on the curve at Brookline street. The Waltham car had made a detour from the avenue to Pearl, Green and Brookline streets, and was swinging to Massachusetts avenue when the Dudley street car crashed into it. The Waltham car was without passengers.

The force of the collision lifted the big Waltham car and tilted it but it finally righted itself, although moved from the tracks.

FUR BEARING ANIMALS

WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 14.—Up to the present time experiments in breeding fur bearers have been carried on only with minks and martens. At two stations—Pritchard, Idaho, and the National Zoological Park—minks have bred, and the healthy condition of the young animals promises success. The stock of martens was secured too late for the animals to breed this season. In the coming year it is intended to add raccoons, skunks, and possibly foxes to the list of animals to be included in these experiments.

During the spring an assistant visited New Brunswick, Prince Edward Island, and other portions of the eastern British provinces and New England for the purpose of studying the methods in vogue in the region for rearing foxes and other fur bearers. Data on improved methods of raising foxes will soon be published, to bring up to date preliminary information furnished in 1908 in Farmers' Bulletin 328, Silver Fox Farming.

Moleskins have been extensively used in this country during the last few years in making fur garments, and practically all of the supply has been imported from Europe. In the belief that the common mole of eastern United States produces fur of equal value, skins were submitted to professional furriers, who stated that the quality is superior to the foreign product. A report on the economic status of the eastern species was published during the year. The mole inhabiting the northwestern coast is larger than the common eastern species, and a number of these have been collected in order to obtain a report on the quality of the pelt. If the texture of the fur proves to be as good as that of the eastern animal, there is no reason why trappers should not secure a good income by capturing these animals, as the area they inhabit is extensive. In many localities an acre of ground supports as many as a hundred individuals. If this little animal can be profitably trapped for its fur the problem of freeing agricultural areas from it will practically be solved.

Investigations into the economic value of North American skunks resulted in the publication of a Farmers' Bulletin on the subject. It has been found that this animal is one of the most useful of native mammals and a most efficient help to the farmer and the orchardist in their warfare against insect and rodent pests. As a source of fur it is also a commercial asset, the skins netting trappers about $3,000,000 annually. As the skunk is valuable in its activities as well as for its fur, experiments in breeding the animals in captivity are recommended. (Extract from Annual Report of the Bureau of Biological Survey, U. S. Department of Agriculture.)

Mr. and Mrs. Alexandre Gionet of Shirley were yesterday the guests of the former's brother, Alma Gionet, of Spalding street.

BREAKS OUT OF JAIL

TWO MEN FREE ARTHUR FELTEIN FROM CELL IN THE WEBSTER LOCKUP

WEBSTER, Dec. 14.—The Webster lock-up was broken open last night and Arthur Feltein was let out. Feltein was arrested Saturday night, charged with breaking and entering the Larcher & Branch store last winter. About 8 last night two young men went to the police station and asked if they could see Feltein, saying that they wanted to bail him out.

The officer told them to see the clerk of the courts. One of the men, when leaving the building, was heard to say: "Never mind; we'll show them a trick." The policeman then went out on the street and was only a few hundred feet from the jail at the time the break took place.

Two firemen who were in the building heard a noise from the direction of the lockup and ran out to see what the trouble was. Just as they reached the door Feltein was going out and a man was attempting to open the door of another cell.

The firemen immediately went for officers, but arrived too late to capture any of the men. The outside door of the lockup was kicked or pushed in and the lock with which it was fastened was torn off and could not be found. Just inside the door is a row of small closets in which a key to the cells was kept. A signboard torn from a lawn a short distance away was used to break open this box and with the securing of this key it was an easy matter to give the man his freedom.

All corners of the police station were searched to find the key to the cell, but no trace of it was found. Chief of Police Clare was notified and the patrolmen were instructed to keep a sharp lookout for the men suspected.

The escape of Feltein last night brings the total to eight in two years, only Saturday a man calmly walking out of the courtroom after being sentenced to serve three months in the house of correction. The man who escaped Saturday was captured later and it was his cell that the three were attempting to open last night when discovered.

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BUSY AT STATE HOUSE

Session of Great and General Court to Open in Three Weeks —Rush of Proposed Laws

BOSTON, Dec. 14.—The state house is bustling with preparations for the coming session of the great and general court, which will begin its labors for the year in just a little over three weeks from now. Under the constitution it will meet for organization Jan. 6.

The Massachusetts great and general court is called the legislature or the assembly in other states. Its members were elected to the two branches, house and senate, at the last state election.

Calvin Coolidge again is to be president of the senate. The house will have a new speaker to succeed Speaker Cushing, now Lieutenant-Governor. It will be Representative Channing H. Cox of Boston.

The job confronting Mr. Cox will be an interesting one. He will have a house much more republican than for a number of years, and will probably have a body considerably more friendly than the last two houses were to Mr. Cushing. The famous Cushing-Lomasney controversy which has been the feature for several legislatures is to be eliminated from this legislature. But the ward 8 leader will be a member of this house, as in previous years, and his influence in a stronger republican body will be striking, because he knows well how to appeal to republicans as well as to democrats.

Governor Walsh has already outlined what promises to be one of the biggest legislative features of the session. It is the suggestion of His Excellency that there be some officer or board vested with the power to suspend the drastic labor laws of the state so that Massachusetts manufacturers may have an opportunity to take full advantage of the European crisis.

This suggestion is already receiving strong opposition from the labor leaders who express the fear that it may lead to the breaking down of the child labor act, the overtime act, the 64-hour act and other acts.

Henry Sterling and Arthur Ruddell, who were present when the governor explained his views before the state board of labor and industries, voiced their opposition. They say that the labor bodies will take official action against the law.

There is another interesting law which will be brought forward. This was urged during the election by Charles L. Burrill, the new state treasurer. It is to change the constitution so that the state officials under Lieut.-Governor may be appointed by the governor, instead of being elected each year as they now are.

The woman suffrage amendment is another feature that comes up automatically this year. It also is a constitutional amendment. It went through the legislature last year without much opposition. If it goes through again by a majority of the senate and a two-thirds majority of the house it will go before the people at the state election next fall.

The women are watchfully regarding the legislature, and the first show of resistance against the amendment will precipitate a real battle.

LOVE AT FIRST SIGHT

MARLBORO, Dec. 14.—Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Seymour arrived here Saturday night. They were passengers on the steamer Canopic, and came from Italy, where they were married Sept. 1. Mr. Seymour went to Italy eight months ago on a visit. He met Miss Rose Matte of Campobasso, and it was a case of love at first sight. They were married in Campobasso.

Mr. Seymour wanted to get home three months ago, but found the European war blocking the way. Although he was born in this country, the Italian authorities had him examined for army service. His family say that the marriage in Italy made him amenable to Italian law.

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provokers will be heard in a melange of "new stuff," witty, humorous and laughably ridiculous. McCabe, Lovee and Pond, are a merry trio and they are known as the soubrette, the messenger boy and the swell. They provide a swell act abounding in fun. Lynch and Boyle are a pair of comedy acrobats doing stunts on the sensational order and quite unlike those of the ordinary run of comedy acrobats. They are both comedians and acrobats. The One-Man Quartet does four men's work in the singing line and does it in a most ingenious and tuneful manner. It is certainly a novel act and a winner wherever it goes. The feature picture will be Lubin's great photo-play, entitled: "At the Old Cross Roads," in five reels and a beautiful and romantic story presented by an all-star cast. This bill will run until Thursday when there will be a complete change of program. Each week the program will change with a new show on Thursday and each Sunday will be given a matinee entertainment consisting of 10 acts of vaudeville and five reels of pictures. The week day matinees are at 2 and the evening performances at 7.15. The prices are: Matinees 10 and 20 cents. Ladies will be given the best seats in the house for 10 cents at the matinee and special attention will be paid to their comfort. The evening prices are: 10, 15 and 25 cents. Patrons may use either the Gorham or Central street entrances.

B. F. KEITH'S THEATRE

"Since the Days of '61," a highly developed character sketch, will be presented in this city for the first time at the B. F. Keith theatre, today, and twice daily it will be played during the remainder of the week. Foster Ball and Ward West, two very capable actors, have the principal parts in this positively unique offering.

Only at unusual expense has this act been secured. For two years past the vaudeville theatres of New York and Philadelphia have claimed it, and, one engagement of 14 weeks was played at a single Metropolitan theatre. This pretty nearly marks the high tide limit for the playing of a character act. Its great strength lies in the fidelity with which Mr. Ball portrays the character of the veteran of the Civil War. Not in any sense is it a caricature, and yet, in the lighter moments, there is present a decidedly good vein of humor. It is full of human touches which are so readily recognized by everybody, and, after all, that is what gets under the skin of the average theatregoer quicker than anything else. Mr. Ball was a long time in evolving his little act. It required a lot of study to get the concomitants mixed in just the right proportion, but when they were mixed there was no doubt as to the success of the venture. The act comes to Lowell direct from the Royal theatre, in New York, where it has just closed a phenomenally successful engagement. In the character of the old soldier Mr. Ball's special feat is the securing of a proper make-up. This causes him a deal of trouble, for he is not an elderly man, and yet the character is that of one over 70 years of age. One will find himself wondering if it is possible for a man 35 years old to so successfully interpret externally a man twice that age.

Lucy Gillett, "the lady from Delft," is a juggler, and such a one as visits us but rarely. Miss Gillett brings a lot of real atmosphere to her work, for the setting of the act is that of a quaint interior in the delightful old Dutch town of Delft. Miss Gillett, who is not Dutch, secured practically all of the pieces she juggles so deftly in Holland. The beautiful real Delft ware which is used in the act will be appreciated by those who appreciate its rare coloring. At the opening of the act Miss Gillett is discovered in the role of a housewife, who is attending to her usual routine, but who juggles everything with which she comes in contact. This is an act which combines unusual dexterity with a striking environment, being afforded the principal performer.

A discussion of marriage is the particular theme dwelt upon in the musical dialog called "Clubland," which Leon Kimberly and Halsey Mohr will play in. Both men have splendid singing voices. The scene is a room at an exclusive club, and the characters are a benedict and a bachelor. Each sees life through his own viewpoint, the one is a happily married man, and the other as a rather tired, lonesome bachelor. It is all done in music, of a catchy style.

James McCormack and Eleanor Irving will offer their own pretty singing and dancing novelty called "Between Decks." The Turners, in their revolutions on specially built rollers, have a dashing new act, and one which will prove to be far out of the ordinary. The Stanleys are silhouettists, who throw many different figures upon a curtain. In this way they have no superiors on the stage. The Stillings are banjoists, who know what popular music can be sure of success, and, as a result, they pluck out many of the old songs. In addition to these acts the very popular Hearst-Selig News Pictorial will present absolutely new motion pictures of foreign and domestic events. Good seats for this show may be secured in advance at the box office. 'Phone 23.

MERRIMACK SQUARE THEATRE

The first in a week's series of presentations of "Under Two Flags" will be given today at the Merrimack Square theatre by the stock company. It will also mark the inaugural of a series of gift photographs of members of the company which are to be distributed every Monday, matinee and night. Today the photo will be of Frances Shannon, the popular leading lady and one will be given to each lady holding a reserved seat ticket at either the afternoon or evening performance. These will all be actual photographs and in the near future an album, suitable for keeping the pictures in will also be given. Another theatrical feature attached to this particular day is that the tickets for Christmas matinee and night will be placed on sale. Don't wait until the last minute—get your tickets today and you'll be able to secure the good seats which are always obtainable at this time.

JEWEL AND COLONIAL THEATRES

The third of a series of photo-plays furnished both these theatres through the World Special Film Corporation service, is the five-act Charles A. Blaney feature, a film story that spans the ocean from America to the Philippines. This is positively one of the most thrilling photo-plays yet shown, and the five reels are replete with beautiful scenery, stirring situations and good acting. The story: Mr. Escott, an easterner, having had reverses, decides to settle in Montana, and takes his wife and baby girl, little Elsie with him. One day, while Elsie wanders off, picking flowers, she returns to find her parents slain by the marauding Indians, and she is later picked up by Joe Lanier, a lieutenant in the army, who brings the child to his mother. Years later, Joe takes to mining and Elsie has grown into a beautiful young lady, to whom Joe is devoted. Everywhere is happiness, till a good looking city easterner arrives in town. Elsie is attracted to his smooth ways, and soon falls under his charms. Joe warns her against the stranger, but she indignantly resents his interference. Despairing, Joe enlists for the Spanish war, and soon leaves for the Philippine Islands. During that time, events prove that the city man is just what Joe suspected, and he is shown through his right colors. Elsie is heart-broken, but she resolves to find Joe and acknowledge her mistake. So, in company with Willie Live, a newspaper reporter, she leaves Montana, and spans the ocean in an effort to overtake her faithful lover. Arriving there, she is implicated in a series of daring adventures, and is the cause of saving Joe's company from complete annihilation by the Filipinos. In the turmoil of battle, Joe sees Elsie, and recognises her, and a happy reunion takes place. The Filipinos are repulsed, when aid, secured through Elsie, arrives, and the good old stars and stripes waves over all. The rest of the performances at both these theatres will be made up of five brand new releases first time shown in Lowell.

AMUSEMENT NOTES

OPERA HOUSE

One week under its new policy of big vaudeville and pictures at popular prices would strongly indicate that the Opera House management is soon to make good on its slogan "where everybody goes" for each day has seen an increased attendance over the preceding day and the audiences have not hesitated to express their satisfaction at the quality of the show given. This week's bill will consist of five high class vaudeville acts, five reels of new motion pictures and a feature picture, a photo-play in five reels. Heading the vaudeville bill is the celebrated Fillis family known all over the country for their success in training schools. They will present their educated horses at the Opera House featuring "Mike," the only tango-dancing horse in vaudeville or elsewhere. Hammond and Forrester, a well known team of laugh-

PANAMA LAWS IGNORED

Col. George W. Goethals Wants Torpedo Boat Destroyers to Patrol Canal Waters

PANAMA, Dec. 14.—Colonel George W. Goethals, governor of the canal zone, was impelled to suggest to the government at Washington that two swift American torpedo boat destroyers be stationed at the Panama canal, one at each end, by the recent activity of belligerent warships and colliers in the vicinity of the Isthmian waterway.

The action of the Australian collier Mallina, which left Balboa without clearance papers, and the fact that this and other colliers have shown a disposition to disregard the canal zone shipping laws, actuated Colonel Goethals to take a decisive measure to preserve in every way the neutrality of the canal.

Nearly all of the colliers which have gathered in canal waters arrived without health certificates, and in several instances the ships sailed without clearance papers. It is presumed that the steamers met and coaled the Australian and English fleet which concentrated recently in the vicinity of the Pearl islands, which lie 60 miles southeast of Panama city.

The United States torpedo boat destroyers requested by the governor are expected to do patrol duty and promptly to overhaul any belligerent craft attempting to disregard the canal authorities.

Alleged violations of the canal shipping laws have, it is said, been the subject of complaint to Sir Claud C. Mallet, British minister to Panama, and also have resulted in causing orders to the fortifications to prevent unneutral colliers remaining in ports in the canal zone in disregard of the orders of the canal authorities.

In the case of the collier Mallina, it is stated that she arrived without clearance papers or a health certificate and with no coal or supplies. She attempted to buy $300 worth of supplies, consisting largely of articles intended for a Christmas dinner for a large force. She was refused the supplies and was ordered to depart because she refused to state her destination, as required by the canal zone laws. The collier Proteslhaus is pointed to as a similar case.

It is stated that there has been much wireless interference in canal waters on the part of eight colliers, which recently were in the vicinity of the canal, and also by large warship fleets, reported to be within 25 miles of both ends of the canal.

GOETHALS REITERATES REQUEST

WASHINGTON, Dec. 14.—Col. Goethals, governor of the Panama canal zone, today reiterated his request that two torpedo boat destroyers be sent to the canal zone waters to prevent violation of neutrality through the misuse of wireless and taking on of supplies by belligerent vessels.

Because of the confidential nature of Col. Goethal's despatch, Secretary Garrison declined to make it public.

He, however, issued this statement:

"The substance of the despatch is that in Col. Goethals' estimation the misuse of radio wireless in canal waters and the prevention of the misuse of these waters as a base of supplies require the presence of swift-moving ships of the variety mentioned. Since the questions involved require the consideration of the state department and the navy department as well as my own I have taken the matter up with the other departments and as soon as the requirements are fully ascertained proper action will be taken to meet them."

Secretary Garrison declined to discuss the situation in the canal zone or to indicate which of the belligerents was violating the neutrality of the United States.

It is known, however, that the Australian collier Malina which recently left Balboa without clearance papers has been under close observation by Panama canal officials. That ship as well as other colliers have been suspected of supplying British warships in Pacific waters. Alleged violations of canal zone shipping regulations have been the basis of strong representation to the British minister at Panama.

The Lamson, Worden, Terry, Perkins and Walke are in reserve at Charleston, S. C. for emergency service in southern waters.

ALL-STARS WON, 7 TO 0

Defeated Indians in Interesting and Exciting Football Game at Spaulding Park

In one of the most interesting games of football ever played in this city the All Stars, an eleven composed of Textile school, high school and former college players, defeated the Indians, one of the fastest amateur teams in the state, Saturday afternoon at Spaulding park by the score of 7 to 0.

The contest was a very even thing all the way through although the winners had a slight edge on their opponents. It was an exciting struggle between two game teams with the outcome in doubt up to the last moment of play.

The All Stars won the toss and proceeded to score a touchdown by straight line plugging. Tackle and guard plays with Cantey, Lane and Peabody carrying the ball, swept the Indians' defense down to midfield from the All Stars' 20-yard line.

On a tackle dash Cantey broke loose for the longest run of the game and ran the ball down to the Indians' 12-yard line. From that point the ball was worked over the line, only after the most desperate sort of line buckling, however, for the Indian line held like a stone wall.

With the ball on their opponents' one yard line, the All Stars were hard pressed to score. Twice right guard was plugged by the scholastic players but the ball was only advanced a few inches. On the third down with about two feet to go the ball was finally jammed across the line. Although when the ball was uncovered it still lacked a short distance of the goal line the fact that it had been over the line and pushed back by the dogged Indian defence gave the All Stars their score.

From the edge of the field Jackson Palmer then kicked the most difficult goal that the writer ever saw kicked on any gridiron. The ball, soggy from constant contact with the wet field, struck the crossbar of the goal posts and bounced over for an additional point.

The Indians were outweighed in the rush line but regardless of this fact played their opponents to a standstill at several points in the game. Particularly in the fourth period was this so when, in the last few minutes to play the Indians made a determined attempt to at least tie up the score.

Jackson Palmer was the bright light for the All Stars. The local lawyer appeared nearly as formidable as when he was playing the game several years ago and gave a wonderful exhibition of snapper-back play. Play after play was broken up by Palmer, in fact it was his entree into the game with only five minutes to play and the ball on the All Stars' 13-yard line that probably prevented a score.

Hockmeyer and McGowan at the ends, Cantey, Lane and Peabody in the backfield, played great football. Forward passes and end runs were broken up by these players when their execution would have meant the game.

In the rush line Andrews, Harrington, Cullen, McManiman and Young all did well, while Roache, who replaced Hockmeyer, also played a good game. Although the All Stars had never before played together the experience of the individual players did the trick and earned them a victory.

The team play of the defeated team was far superior to that of the winners. On their end runs and trick plays a cloud of interference always protected the runners and it always required several All Star tacklers to bring down the man with the ball. Jack Toye in particular played a spectacular game in the back, while Mahoney, Cunningham and Quinn shone in the line. The work of the two Indian ends was also conspicuous.

Summed up in a word the game went to the team which possessed the punch when the shadow of their opponents' goal posts was reached. Three times the Indians threatened to score but on each occasion either a fumble or the stubborn defence of the All Stars prevented. It was a great game all the way through and one of the most exciting ever seen in this city.

Lowell, Monday, December 14, 1914

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PALMER STREET BASEMENT

TIME FOR GENERAL ADVANCE OF ALLIES

LONDON, Dec. 14—The first serious blow inflicted on the Turkish navy since the entrance of the Porte into the war—the torpedoing of the battleship Messudieh by a British submarine in the Dardanelles—gave naval color to today's war news and was in fact the only striking occurrence chronicled by land or by sea.

Little or no change has been reported on the western battlefront and in the east Russia and Germany continue to fight a seemingly endless battle for the control of western Poland.

English and French newspapers unite in declaring that the time is drawing near for the much discussed general advance of the allies through France and Belgium and some unofficial reports say this move is about to be undertaken if it has not actually begun.

Progress necessarily would be inch by inch and even the most optimistic of the British observers, assuming that a general forward movement of the allies is to be assayed concede that it will be spring before any appreciable eastern progress could be made.

The feat of Lieutenant Commander Helbrook in diving with the submarine B 11 under five rows of mines in the Dardanelles and torpedoing the Turkish battleship is described here as perhaps the boldest marine exploit of the war. The submarine presumably was not scratched. She escaped gunfire and the pursuit of torpedoboats in a manner truly remarkable, and it was necessary for her crew to endure the ordeal of remaining under water for nine hours on a stretch. Russian guns have from time to time inflicted some damage on Turkish warships bombarding Russian ports but the disaster reported today robs the Porte of its first big ship. The loss of life is not estimated in the brief announcement of the episode given out by the British admiralty but if the Messudieh was manned as other Turkish ships have been, then there was a number of German officers on board of her.

POLICE COURT CASES

NON-SUPPORT CASE ENGAGED THE ATTENTION OF JUDGE ENRIGHT—SENTENCES IMPOSED

Thomas F. Lynch came all the way from Windsor, Vt., to get it up. Unfortunately for Thomas it was not the first time that he picked out Lowell for a little jamboree. And on the previous occasions he had not kept faith with the probation officer when he was given a chance to pay his fines.

"Your Honor," said Lynch, "I really thought my fine was paid as I gave it to my brother to bring down here and he told me later that he paid it. You see it couldn't have been my fault if he didn't deliver the coin."

"You are unfortunate in having such a brother," dryly remarked Judge Enright as he murmured something to Clerk Savage about two months in the Thorndike street enclosure.

Mrs. Margaret M. Lally told a pitiful story of neglect and abuse from her husband who is addicted to the use of liquor.

The defendant broke in with a plea for mercy when his wife had finished her testimony. He admitted that he had not done right by her but promised to leave Lowell and not bother her again. Judge Enright finally allowed him to go forth under the condition that he would not return here and that twenty-four hours from the time he left the court room he would be beyond the city limits.

Daniel W. Higgins was in court for alleged abuse of his wife. Mrs. Higgins testified.

Judge Enright pondered a few moments and then decided to give her defendant another chance. Daniel W. was allowed a suspended sentence of two months to jail and looked happy.

ELECTION DAY IN BOSTON

10 CANDIDATES CONTEST FOR FIVE ELECTIVE OFFICES — INTEREST IN LICENSE VOTE

BOSTON, Dec. 14.—Sixteen candidates contested for five elective offices and the supporters and opponents of liquor saloons were active in presenting their final arguments today. Three members of the city council and two school committeemen will be chosen. Twelve candidates seek places in the council and four are in the school board contest. City officials will be elected and the license question decided tomorrow at Beverly, Chelsea and Newburyport.

MRS. MILLS FOUND GUILTY

WOMAN ACCUSED OF KILLING MANLEY PLEADS GUILTY OF MANSLAUGHTER

CONCORD, N. H., Dec. 14.—Mrs. Jennie Mills in superior court here today pleaded guilty to the charge of manslaughter in the first degree for the killing of Charles A. Manley in Henniker.

Chief Justice Robert G. Pike and Associate Justice John Kivel, presided over the trial and Attorney-General James Tuttle and County Commissioner Solicitor Robert C. Murchie conducted the case for the state. John M. Stark of this city is counsel for Mrs. Mills.

Manley was found dead in bed on the morning of March 8 with his head blown off by a shotgun which lay on the bed beside him. Mrs. Mills, who was his housekeeper, said that he had committed suicide and the grand jury which heard the evidence in April returned no indictment against her. During the summer her young daughter, who is an inmate of the state industrial school at Manchester, confessed to the authorities of what she knew of Manley's death and the result was the arrest and subsequent indictment of Mrs. Mills.

LETTER FROM PRESIDENT

BOSTON, Dec. 14.—Bearing a personal letter from President Wilson to Emperor William to aid him in his search for his wife, lost in Germany since the outbreak of the war, Edward E. Muecke of San Francisco, United States vice consul at Iquique, Chile, sailed for Europe yesterday on the steamer Canopic. Muecke fears his wife is ill and penniless. She went to Germany over a year ago for her health. Since the war broke out, no word has been heard from her.

FOR THE BELGIAN SUFFERERS

All is in readiness for the benefit concert to be conducted for the widows and orphans of the British soldiers under the auspices of the British-American Social club of this city. The affair will be held at Associate hall on Wednesday evening and everything points toward an unqualified success. The program will be as follows: Rev. J. Wynne Jones, Swansea, address; Mrs. Belle Harrington Hall, readings; Robbie Anderson, Scotch comedian; Miss Flora McLean, dancing; Mrs. Nellie Roberts, Miss Etta Thompson, Master Hiley, vocal selections; Apollo Male quartet, composed of Fred Booth, A. J. Munn, C. H. Howard and Harry Needham, selections.

BODY OF MAN FOUND

FALL RIVER, Dec. 14.—Sunday strollers in the Rehoboth woods yesterday chanced upon the body of Jacob Rush of Providence, R. I., who had been missing for a week. The man was in a sitting posture with his back against a tree trunk. The medical examiner decided that Rush committed suicide by shooting.

DINNER TO BUSINESS MEN

The industrial bureau of the New York, New Haven & Hartford railroad will give a dinner to business men tomorrow noon at the American house in Boston. The topic of discussion during the after dinner speaking will be the "Development of the South American Trade," and notable speakers are listed to address the gathering. Secretary John H. Murphy of the Lowell board of trade will attend and several prominent business men of this city are also expected to be present.

MANY MATCHES

Rolled Saturday Night—Minor League Staged Two Games

Two games were rolled off in the Minor league Saturday night, the J. P. S. bowlers winning from the Braves in easy fashion while the Glendales just nosed out the Mathews. Five pins separated the two latter teams. In the Manufacturers' league the Merrimacks swamped the Plush mill. The totals:

Braves: Regan, 275; Keefe, 276; Howard, 216; Gillis, 245; Carney, 251; totals, 1276.

J. P. S.: McCockin, 275; Mullin, 307; Montgomery, 271; Teague, 274; O'Brien, 306; totals, 1433.

Merrimacks: Armitstead, 244; Downey, 264; Sweeney, 282; McNeil, 278; Panton, 287; totals, 1355.

Plush Mill: Mitchell, 282; Kennedy, 245; H. Silcox, 254; Hamilton, 217; W. Silcox, 245; totals, 1270.

Glendales: McDermott, 253; Ryan, 273; Bryant, 254; Healy, 271; Preston, 285; totals, 1346.

Mathews: Howers, 272; Powers, 244; Cunningham, 262; Casey, 253; Sheehan, 295; totals, 1332.

ON HIGHER R. R. RATES

LOWELL MEN TO OPPOSE MOVE AT THE HEARING IN BOSTON ON THURSDAY

There will be a hearing before the public service commission in Boston on Thursday at 10 a. m. on the petition of the Boston & Maine and other railroads for permission to increase their passenger rates and to abolish the commutation ticket sales in certain communities. The hearing will be at No. 1 Beacon street. Secretary Murphy of the board of trade and others will attend.

BERLIN OFFICIAL REPORT

CLAIMS ATTACKS BY FRENCH BETWEEN MEUSE AND VOSGES REPULSED

BERLIN, Dec. 14.—An official communication issued today by the German army headquarters says:

"Light attacks by the French on parts of our positions between the river Meuse and the Vosges mountains were easily repulsed, otherwise nothing of importance remains to be reported from the western theatre of war.

"From East Prussia and southern Poland there is nothing to report.

"In northern Poland our operations are taking their normal course."

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C.-C.'s TURN VIOLAS

Seeking, like Alexander's army, for new worlds to conquer, the Courier-Citizen bowling team invaded Minor league territory Saturday evening and defeated the Violas of that league by a comfortable margin. From start to finish it was a nip and tuck contest, but when "Charley" Foster of the C.-C.'s turned in a 128 for his second string, the tide of battle turned in the newspapermen's favor. Undaunted, the Violas fought manfully during the final round and cut down the enemy's lead; their efforts, however, being of no avail. Foster's high string was the largest total made on the alleys during the evening, so the Courier-Citizen crack won the $1, besides winning the game for his mates. For the Violas, Jack Graham, with a total of 278, was the leading bowler of the Minor leagues, while Foster led his team with an aggregate of 288. The totals:

Courier-Citizen: O'Connor, 278; Foster, 288; G. Noonan, 245; Lunn, 276; MacKinnon, 242. Totals, 1353.

Violas: Corbett, 264; Jack Graham, 278; J. Noonan, 251; Coleman, 260; Quinn, 253. Totals, 1306.

YALE'S 1915 SCHEDULE

NEW HAVEN, Conn., Dec. 14.—Yale's 1915 football schedule will be announced some time this week, it was learned last night. It is understood, from semi-official sources, that there will be no changes from last year's schedule, except that Notre Dame will not be invited to play again.

Either the Springfield Y. M. C. A. college, Williams, Amherst or Trinity, will be invited to take Notre Dame's place, it is said. University of Pennsylvania and Dartmouth made overtures for places on the schedule, but the Yale management declined.

Commencing next month, and lasting until the close of the academic year, Head Coach Hinkey plans to hold monthly "smokers" for the football candidates, at which there will be blackboard talks on the game.

SALE OF YANKEES EXPECTED

Pres. Johnson Predicts the Deal Over the New York Americans Will Be Settled This Week

NEW YORK, Dec. 14.—Ban B. Johnson, president of the American league, left New York yesterday for Chicago without announcing any conclusion of the deal whereby the transfer of the New York club in his league was expected to be effected.

Mr. Johnson said he would not stop at French Lick Springs, where Col. Jacob Ruppert, the prospective purchaser of the club, is staying temporarily, but he indicated his expectation that the present week was likely to find the sale of the Yankees to the New York brewer either definitely closed or abandoned permanently.

That the prospects of the deal being put through were bright, however, was intimated in other quarters.

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STALLINGS SIGNS CONTRACT

BOSTON, Dec. 14.—George T. Stallings, who led the Boston Nationals to the world's championship this fall will continue as manager of the club for at least five years. He has signed a contract extending four years beyond the coming season, when his previous agreement will expire, according to word received in this city from New York yesterday. Neither Stallings nor President Gaffney would announce the salary terms of the new contract.

CANFIELD'S BODY CREMATED

Simple Funeral Services Conducted for Gambler and Art Connoisseur at New York Yesterday

NEW YORK, Dec. 14.—The body of Richard Canfield, gambler and art connoisseur, who died last Friday from a fracture of the skull, was cremated yesterday at Fresh Pond, L. I. The ashes will be shipped to New Bedford, Mass., today, to be buried there in the Canfield family lot.

Prior to the cremation, simple funeral services were conducted in the Broadway Tabernacle, Broadway and 56th street, Rev. Dr. Wm. A. Kirkwood, the assistant pastor, officiating. Only Canfield's widow, Mrs. Genevieve Canfield; his son and his daughter, Mrs. Grace Hannon, and a few friends attended. All information was refused at the Canfield home, 596 Madison avenue. It was said that the gambler's widow, son and daughter departed late last evening for Providence, where Mrs. Canfield lives.

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JOIN RED CROSS

Hitchcock and Barron of Harvard College Off to Europe

BOSTON, Dec. 14.—H. R. Hitchcock, '13, the 1912 football tackle and later Harvard's pitcher, has left for Europe with E. L. Barron, '13, a former president of the Harvard Lampoon, to join the Red Cross corps in active service at the front.

The men left Cambridge yesterday for New York. It is possible that they may be chosen to drive or accompany the ambulance automobiles that Harvard is planning to send to the Red Cross in Europe. They have been assigned to the department which is in charge of Gardner Hale, '16, another editor of the Harvard Lampoon. Hitchcock and Barron corresponded with him before leaving and it was through his influence that they decided to join in helping the wounded soldiers.

Hitchcock entered the Harvard law school this fall and Barron had been working on a Boston paper. Several Harvard seniors who will be graduated at midyear have planned to go abroad, and it is possible that the whole contingent will form a Harvard division and use the four ambulances sent by the college in the Red Cross work.

THOMAS RAPS COLLINS

VETERAN ATHLETIC CATCHER BLAMES SECOND BASEMAN FOR LOSS OF SEVERAL GAMES

In every ball club are some petty jealousies and invariably a couple of knockers, but the Mackmen were known as a club that was practically free from this little disturbance until the past season. That there is something wrong is evident in the way certain players do not mind knocking each other in public. The last shot by Ira Thomas at the brilliant Eddie Collins proves conclusively that the tall tactician had a bunch of trouble on his hands.

Thomas, who is on the trip with the All-Americans now en route to Honolulu, is reported to have written to a friend that Collins lost many ball games for the Athletics through his desire to grab all the money there was in sight. Ira, in explaining this, is reported to have said that Collins' newspaper articles had not only lost many games, but caused other teams to change their styles so completely that Ira has his doubts about the future success of the team.

Thomas declares that the Athletics would have had smooth sailing to at least four or five more consecutive pennants had Collins kept his knowledge to himself. Incidentally Ira remarks that this inside knowledge of the oposing teams' weaknesses was not secured by Eddie, but by other members of the team, and that Collins was let in on it. It is generally thought that Collins is one of the shrewdest men in the country in this respect, but now the fans will have to take their pick and either agree with Ira or decide that Thomas has an ax to grind.

Here is what Thomas is reported to have written to his friend:

"In writing his article Collins has tipped off many things that he should have kept to himself. He did not give away our signs or tell so much about the inside workings of our club, but he did something that was just as bad.

"For years our players have been grabbing the signs of other clubs, the peculiarities of the different players and their weaknesses. Very little of this was gathered by Collins, but naturally along with the rest of the players, everything was told him.

"Eddie used this information in his articles, telling just how we knew what was coming from a certain pitcher because he always did a peculiar windup when he was going to throw a curve ball. Naturally the rival players heard about this and started to remedy their defects. Certain signs that had been used a long time by other clubs were changed.

"With the information we had at our disposal we would have been able to win pennants for the next six years. But all this was changed because Collins wanted to grab all the money in sight, and thus spoiled the work of several years by a few of us. The other clubs now watch us keenly, and we won't have the big edge over visiting teams in future."

TO PREVENT FIRES

BOSTON, Dec. 14.—Michael A. Murphy, deputy fire prevention commissioner, addressed the delegates to the Garment Workers' district council yesterday afternoon and, after explaining the work that his department is trying to do, called on the men and women to go back to their respective unions and try to teach their fellow-workers to use care and prevent fires.

CLINE AND SUTTON, EX-CHAMPIONS, PLAYING IN BILLIARD TOURNAMENT

George Sutton and Harry Cline are two of the former champions who are playing in the Champion Billiard Players league games in various cities over the country. Sutton is the oldest player in the league. He lost his title in the 18.2 game to Calvin Demarest, who in turn was defeated by Harry Cline, who gave way to Willie Hoppe. Sutton was compelled to retire owing to ill health a few years ago, but he has recently regained his strength and is playing a good game. He owns a farm near Hartford, Mich. Harry Cline was reared on a farm near Lancaster, Pa. His father owned a hotel in Lancaster, and the billiard table in the hotel was the first one that Harry ever saw. Forbidden to play on it because of his age, Harry rigged up a billiard table of his own in the barn with marbles for balls. He was told that real billiard balls were made from the tusks of elephants. There was no elephant on the Cline farm, but there were cows and one of them was compelled to give up a horn that Harry might make billiard balls. He was disappointed at finding that the horn was hollow. For years Farmer Cline's one-horned cow was a familiar object in the neighborhood, and there was a deep mystery as to how she lost her horn.

THREE CHILDREN PERISH

Maine Rivers Claim Three Victims—Cambridge Boy Had a Narrow Escape

Victims of Thin Ice

ALBERT ALEXANDER, aged 12, at Brunswick, Me.

MISS PHOEBE PELKIE, aged 17, at Kingman, Me.

THOMAS BEURQUE, aged 7, at Waterville, Me.

BOSTON, Dec. 14.—Frank Sheehan, aged 12, of 56 Winthrop street, Cambridge, was saved from drowning in the Charles river at the foot of Flagg street, in that city, yesterday noon by quick work on the part of Chairman Daniel A. Buckley of the Cambridge park commission, William Gaynor of De Wolfe street and John Roy of Stiles street, Cambridge.

Sheehan was one of a number of lads on the thin ice, danger signs being disregarded. The combined weight of the youngsters broke the ice, Sheehan, with Edward Cunningham, aged 12, of Banks street, Cambridge, going down. The others scampered to shore.

Cunningham managed to crawl to unbroken ice and held out a hand to Sheehan, but the ice gave way and Cunningham was forced to shift for himself.

Mr. Buckley was in the vicinity. Gaynor procured a clothesline from a neighbor, fastened one end about his waist and crawled out 25 feet. Buckley holding the other end. It was treacherous going on the ice and Sheehan had a hard time keeping afloat until Gaynor could reach him. Cunningham in the meantime had reached a place of safety and made the shore.

Gaynor finally reached Sheehan, but was unable to take him from the water, and Roy made his way out to help. The lad was hauled out by the two men and pushed ashore over the ice, Buckley hauling Gaynor, with Roy clinging on.

Sheehan was taken to the house of Henry Sullivan, Stiles street, where he was treated by Dr. C. M. Hutchinson. Yesterday afternoon he was little the worse for his experience.

SAW BROTHER PERISH

Frank Alexander Made Brave Attempt to Save His Brother Albert at Brunswick, Me.

BRUNSWICK, Me., Dec. 14.—Albert Alexander, 13 years, son of Mrs. Effie Alexander, was drowned in the Androscoggin river late yesterday afternoon. The boy and his brother Frank, two years older, were skating and knocking a can about with their hockey sticks.

Albert went on thin ice and broke through at a point where the water runs swiftly. Frank made a brave attempt to save his brother. Lying on the ice, he extended his hockey stick, but when the younger boy took hold of it he pulled Frank in also.

Ernest Barribeau saw the accident from Mill street and threw a long pole over the river bank to Leonce Labbe, who was on the ice. Labbe succeeded in reaching Frank and pulled him out, but Albert in the meantime had become benumbed with the cold and sank. The body was not recovered.

KINGMAN GIRL DROWNED

She and Two Companions Go Through Ice While Skating—Her Friends Rescued

KINGMAN, Me., Dec. 14.—Miss Phoebe Pelkie, aged 17, was drowned, and two companions were rescued when ice on which they were skating gave way yesterday.

VENTURES TOO NEAR EDGE

Thomas Beurque, Aged 7, of Waterville, Me., Drowned in the Kennebec River

WATERVILLE, Me., Dec. 14.—The first drowning accident of the season in this vicinity occurred in the Kennebec yesterday when Thomas Beurque, aged 7, fell into the open swift water when he ventured too near the edge of the ice. The body was not recovered.

SLEEPYTIME TALES

BY VIRGINIA VALE

FOR THE LITTLE READERS OF THE SUN

THE FUNNY MOUSE

Once upon a time a little field mouse ran out of the field into a hole in a tree. It was warm and snug in there and the mouse was cold and hungry so he huddled close in the corner and went fast asleep. So hard did he sleep that he didn't hear the squirrels when they came home and he woke with a start to see some big bright eyes looking at him.

"How dare you come into our house while we were away?" said one of them. "Go right out or I will push you out."

The frightened mouse tried to get up and to run but his feet were so cramped from his long rest that he nearly fell. "Poor thing, let him stay," said another squirrel, "just tonight and he can go in the morning."

The little mouse slept close beside one of the squirrels and when he woke in the morning there was a nice breakfast waiting for him. "Hugh, hugh, you better go out with us this morning and earn your night's lodging by gathering some nuts and bring them home," said a squirrel.

The little mouse was very glad to do this and worked so hard that he had the biggest pile of nuts to take home. He was such a willing little fellow that everyone began to grow quite fond of him and nothing more was said about his going and he lived all winter with his new friends.

The next spring when his own people saw him what do you think? His tail had grown quite bushy and his fur was almost as thick as the little fellows he had lived with all winter. He had grown so fond of his friends and they liked him so well that he never went back to the fields to live but lived with the squirrels all the rest of his life.

Don't you think he was a funny little fellow?

SOCIAL AND FRATERNAL

Ninety-five names were added to the membership of Lowell Aerie of Eagles at a class initiation held yesterday afternoon in Odd Fellows temple on Middlesex street. The initiation exercises proved interesting and impressive and were witnessed by nearly 500 Eagles from this city and elsewhere.

The degree staff was comprised of 16 members, captained by John McMahon, and the exercises were carried out without any mishap.

Following the initiation exercises, refreshments were served and a musical entertainment was furnished which consisted of selections by the Broadway quartet. The following had charge of the entertainment, Edward Smith, Peter McMahon, Alfred T. Hanley and John McCallum.

Daughters of Veterans

Mary E. Smith tent, Daughters of Veterans, has elected the following officers to serve for the ensuing year: President, Mrs. Effie Kittridge; senior vice president, Mrs. Alice Felch; junior vice president, Mrs. Alice Phelps; chaplain, Mrs. Annie S. Guyette; treasurer, Mrs. Maude Dyer; trustees, Miss Ella Borkson, Mrs. Mary Mack and Mrs. Lois Johnson; patriotic instructor, Mrs. Ethelena Curtis. It was voted to extend an invitation to the Sons of Veterans to join in a joint installation, to be open to the public, to be held at the first meeting in January.

FIRE IN LAWRENCE

LAWRENCE, Dec. 14.—A two-alarm fire in the three-story brick block, 82-84 South Broadway, owned by William Sullivan, caused about $2000 damage. The ground floor is occupied by Mr. Sullivan's dry goods store and the drug store of the Dubeule company. Both sustained loss by smoke.

The fire originated in waste paper in the basement and looked so serious that Chief Engineer Carey ordered the second division called. The flames worked through the first floor in two places, but were checked. Mr. Sullivan had insurance on the building, but none on the contents of his store, it is said.

LEGAL NOTICES

To the Honorable the Judges of the Probate Court in and for the County of Middlesex:

Respectfully represents Anna M. Rourke, of Lowell, in the County of Middlesex, that she is the lawful wife of William J. Rourke, of parts unknown to your petitioner, and that your petitioner and said William J. Rourke are actually living apart from each other; that children have been born to them who are now living and whose names and dates of birth are as follows: Helena Ivy Rourke, born March 22, 1908, residing at 126 Adams street, said Lowell. Winifred Doris Rourke, born August 27, 1912, residing at 848 Lawrence street, said Lowell.

Your petitioner further represents that the happiness and welfare of said children, who are minors, require that she should have the custody and possession of them.

Wherefore she prays that said Court will make such orders as it deems expedient concerning the care, custody, education and maintenance of said minor children, and order that they remain with your petitioner.

Dated this seventh day of November, A. D. 1914.

ANNA M. ROURKE.

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS. Middlesex, ss. Probate Court.

On the foregoing petition, it is ordered that the petitioner give notice to said William J. Rourke, to appear at a Probate Court to be held at Lowell, in said County of Middlesex, on the nineteenth day of January, A. D. 1915, at nine o'clock in the forenoon, by publishing this citation once in each week, for three successive weeks in The Lowell Sun, a newspaper published in Lowell, the last publication to be one day at least, before said Court.

Witness, Charles J. McIntire, Esquire, First Judge of said Court, this twenty-seventh day of November, in the year one thousand nine hundred and fourteen.

W. E. ROGERS, Register.
N30-D7-14

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS. Middlesex, ss. Probate Court.

To the heirs-at-law, next of kin, creditors, and all other persons interested in the estate of Maurice Fitzgerald late of Lowell, in said County, deceased intestate.

Whereas a petition has been presented to said Court to grant a letter of administration on the estate of said deceased to Bridget Rohan of Lowell, in the County of Middlesex, without giving a surety on her bond.

You are hereby cited to appear at a Probate Court to be held at Lowell, in said County of Middlesex, on the fifteenth day of December, A. D. 1914, at nine o'clock in the forenoon, to show cause if any you have, why the same should not be granted.

And the petitioner is hereby directed to give public notice thereof, by publishing this citation once in each week, for three successive weeks, in The Lowell Sun, a newspaper published in Lowell, the last publication to be one day, at least, before said Court.

Witness, Charles J. McIntire, Esquire, First Judge of said Court, this first day of December, in the year one thousand nine hundred and fourteen.

W. E. ROGERS, Register.
D2-7-14

MORTGAGEE'S SALE OF REAL ESTATE

By virtue of the power of sale contained in a certain mortgage deed given by Nathan Birchenough and Maggie A. Birchenough, his wife, in her right and in the right of each, both of Lowell in the County of Middlesex and Commonwealth of Massachusetts, to The Central Savings Bank, a corporation established under the laws of said Commonwealth and located at said Lowell, dated April 1, 1904, and recorded in the Registry of Deeds for the Northern District of said County, Book 363, Page 562, which mortgage was assigned by said The Central Savings Bank to Charles E. Guthrie by assignment dated July 23, 1914 and recorded in said Registry, Book 525, Page 347, will be sold at public auction for breach of the conditions of said mortgage deed, on the premises hereinafter described on Wednesday, the thirtieth day of December, 1914, at eleven o'clock in the forenoon, all and singular the premises conveyed by said mortgage deed and therein described substantially as follows:

A certain piece or parcel of land situated in Dracut, in said County, near the part thereof called the Navy Yard on an old road or bridle path leading from Lakeview avenue to Hildreth street at the northwest corner of the premises to be conveyed, on said old road as shown on a plan of land entitled, "Plan of Land in Dracut, Mass., belonging to Chas. E. Guthrie, March 1901, O. M. Snell, C. E." which plan is recorded in the Registry of Deeds for the Northern District of said County, Book of Plans 21, Plan 4; thence southerly by said old road one hundred sixty-two and 5.10 feet to a stone wall; thence south 45° 15' east two hundred forty and 5-10 feet to a corner; thence north 86° 45' east one hundred sixty-four and 6-10 feet; thence in a northwesterly direction by a stone wall two hundred fifty-five feet; thence north 55° 05' east one hundred eight feet; thence westerly by the center line of a road shown on said plan twenty-four feet in width three hundred fifteen and 4-10 feet to the point of beginning. Containing one and 48-100 acres and being the same premises to said Nathan Birchenough and Maggie A. Birchenough conveyed by Charles E. Guthrie by deed dated April 1, 1904 and recorded in said Registry, Book 363, Page 561. Together with the right to use a strip twelve feet in width adjoining the northerly side of said premises as a passageway.

The above described premises will be sold and conveyed subject to any and all unpaid taxes, municipal or other assessments and tax sales which may be due or to become due thereon. The purchaser will be required to pay $200 in cash at the time and place of sale, and the balance in ten days from the day of sale at the office of William T. Sheppard, 103 Central street, Lowell, Mass.

CHARLES E. GUTHRIE,
Assignee.
D7-14-21

HELP WANTED

AGENTS BE YOUR OWN BOSS; follow our directions; make $5 to $10 daily. Steady sellers. H. R. Brehm, 2170 Third Avenue, New York, N. Y.

GOVERNMENT EXAMINATIONS. Thorough instruction $5. Returned if not appointed. Particulars free. American Civil Service School, Washington, D. C.

TABLE GIRL WANTED AT 213 Dutton st. Apply at once.

TWO TOP STITCHERS WANTED ON boys' shoes. Federal Shoe Co., Dix st.

LADIES WANTED BY A RELIABLE firm to do plain machine sewing; send stamp for reply. Medical Supply, Sta. A 11, Boston, Mass.

HOW TO GET THE POSITION you want. How to get ahead of other applicants. How to locate in other cities. Send for circular describing little book. Lock Box 1957, Boston.

A TALENTED PERSON MAY EARN as high as $500 a year writing verses for popular songs in spare time. Send samples of your poems. Instructive book free. Dugdale Company, Studio A, Washington, D. C.

W. A. LEW

Steam dyeing and cleaning of ladies' and gents' wearing apparel. 30 years in the business.

49 JOHN STREET

LEGAL NOTICES

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS. Middlesex, ss. Probate Court.

To the heirs-at-law, next of kin and all other persons interested in the estate of Edward C. White, late of Lowell, in said County, deceased.

Whereas, a certain instrument purporting to be the last will and testament of said deceased has been presented to said Court, for Probate, by James J. Kerwin, who prays that letters testamentary may be issued to him, the executor therein named, without giving a surety on his official bond.

You are hereby cited to appear at a Probate Court, to be held at Lowell, in said County of Middlesex, on the fifteenth day of December, A. D. 1914, at nine o'clock in the forenoon, to show cause, if any you have, why the same should not be granted.

And said petitioner is hereby directed to give public notice thereof, by publishing this citation once in each week, for three successive weeks, in The Lowell Sun, a newspaper published in Lowell, the last publication to be one day, at least, before said Court, and by mailing postpaid, or delivering a copy of this citation to all known persons interested in the estate, seven days at least before said Court.

Witness, Charles J. McIntire, Esquire, First Judge of said Court, this second day of December, in the year one thousand nine hundred and fourteen.

W. E. ROGERS, Register.
D5-12-14

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS. Middlesex, ss. Probate Court.

To the heirs-at-law, next of kin and all other persons interested in the estate of William G. Deans, late of Lowell, in said County, deceased.

Whereas, a certain instrument purporting to be the last will and testament of said deceased has been presented to said Court, for Probate, by Daniel J. Donahue, who prays that letters testamentary may be issued to him, the executor therein named, without giving a surety on his official bond.

You are hereby cited to appear at a Probate Court, to be held at Cambridge, in said County of Middlesex, on the fourteenth day of January, A. D. 1915, at nine o'clock in the forenoon, to show cause, if any you have, why the same should not be granted.

And said petitioner is hereby directed to give public notice thereof, by publishing this citation once in each week, for three successive weeks, in The Lowell Sun, a newspaper published in Lowell, the last publication to be one day, at least, before said Court, and by mailing postpaid, or delivering a copy of his citation to all known persons interested in the estate thirty days at least before said Court.

Witness, Charles J. McIntire, Esquire, First Judge of said Court, this ninth day of December, in the year one thousand nine hundred and fourteen.

W. E. ROGERS, Register.
D12-14-21

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS. Middlesex, ss. Probate Court.

To the heirs-at-law, next of kin, creditors, and all other persons interested in the estate of Margaret Jones, late of Lowell, in said County, deceased, intestate.

Whereas a petition has been presented to said Court to grant a letter of administration on the estate of said deceased to Katie Jones, of Andover, in the County of Essex, or to some other suitable person.

You are hereby cited to appear at a Probate Court to be held at Cambridge, in said County of Middlesex, on the twenty-ninth day of December, A. D. 1914, at nine o'clock in the forenoon, to show cause, if any you have, why the same should not be granted.

And the petitioner is hereby directed to give public notice thereof, by publishing this citation once in each week, for three successive weeks, in The Lowell Sun, a newspaper published in Lowell, the last publication to be one day at least before said Court.

Witness, Charles J. McIntire, Esquire, First Judge of said Court, this eleventh day of December, in the year one thousand nine hundred and fourteen.

W. E. ROGERS, Register.
D12-14-21

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS. Middlesex, ss. Probate Court.

To all persons interested in the estate of Patrick H. Callahan, late of Lowell, in said County, deceased:

Whereas, Bernard J. Callahan, the executor of the will of said deceased, has presented for allowance, the first account of his administration upon the estate of said deceased:

You are hereby cited to appear at a Probate Court, to be held at Lowell in said County, on the fifteenth day of December, A. D. 1914, at nine o'clock in the forenoon, to show cause, if any you have, why the same should not be allowed.

And said executor is ordered to serve this citation by delivering a copy thereof to all persons interested in the estate fourteen days at least before said Court, or by publishing the same once in each week, for three successive weeks, in The Lowell Sun, a newspaper published in Lowell, the last publication to be one day at least before said Court, and by mailing, post-paid, a copy of this citation to all known persons interested in the estate seven days at least before said Court.

Witness, Charles J. McIntire, Esquire, First Judge of said Court, this twenty-fourth day of November, in the year one thousand nine hundred and fourteen.

W. E. ROGERS, Register.
James E. O'Donnell, Attorney.
D4-11-14

DISSOLUTION OF COPARTNERSHIP

We hereby give notice that the copartnership heretofore existing between Alex Mailloux and Daniel Burke, both of Lowell, in the County of Middlesex and Commonwealth of Massachusetts, under the name of the Howard Street Garage, located at 11 Howard street, in said Lowell, has this day been dissolved, and that the business will hereafter be carried on by said Burke under said name at 11 Howard street, all bills due to said firm to be paid to said Burke, and all bills due from said firm to be paid by said Burke.

ALEX MAILLOUX,
DANIEL BURKE.

Lowell, Mass., Nov. 23, 1914.

LOST AND FOUND

IF THE PERSON WHO TOOK THE coat by mistake from the party at Dempsey's place, Saturday night, will return same to 40 Roberts st., no questions will be asked.

BROWN LEATHER BILL FOLD containing sum of money and owner's name on it, lost in Associate hall, or on Moody, Aiken sts. or Riley ave., Friday night. Reward if returned to 221 Hildreth st.

BOSTON TERRIER, BRINDLE, white neck, lost, Dec. 10; name Pretzel. Finder kindly return to D. O. Swan, 305 Nesmith st.

RUBY SCARF PIN SET WITH FOUR small diamonds lost between cor. Lawrence and So. Whipple sts. and the Lowell Rendering Works, via So. Lowell car Dec. 2nd. Finder please return to 13 So. Whipple st. and receive reward.

WANTED

PARLOR STOVE IN GOOD CONDITION wanted; state price, how long used and name of stove. Address J. F. C., Sun Office.

DOGS AND PUPPIES OF EVERY description wanted. Orders for Pomeranians and St. Bernards. Cash paid. Delaney Kennels, 60 Juniper st., Lawrence, Mass.

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I will buy 50 to 1000 bushels of Potatoes. For particulars write G 59, Sun Office.

TO LET

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ONE FOUR-ROOM TENEMENT TO let; all conveniences; $10. Inquire 303 Westford st.

A BAKERY TO LET AT 57 BRANCH street; $12.00 per month; store $15.00 per month. Inquire 167 Stevens st., mornings or evenings. Tel. 3515-R.

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THREE LARGE UNFURNISHED rooms with hall room, to let at 19 Fifth st.; use of bathroom; set tubs in kitchen.

4-ROOM TENEMENT TO LET AT 37 Paige st. Apply Henry Miller & Son, 398 Wyman's Exchange.

5-ROOM UP-TO-DATE TENEMENT to let; hot and cold water; 42 Ware st. Inquire 38 Ware st.

FURNISHED STEAM HEATED rooms to let; hot and cold water. Inquire 27 Anne st.

SIX-ROOM COTTAGE WITH BATH, to let, at 33 Howard st.; in good condition; two minutes' walk from depot. Inquire 22 Mt. Vernon st.

COLUMBIA HALL TO LET. DANCES, meetings, etc. Inquire Janitor, 108 Middle st.

BAKERY AND STORE TO LET AT East Merrimack and Fayette sts.; also tenements at 175 East Merrimack and 108 Fayette sts. Inquire 25 Adams st.

FIVE-ROOM TENEMENT TO LET; separate toilet on each floor; $2 per week; at 19 Watson ave., near depot. Apply C. Harry Clapp, 504 Middlesex st.

NEW MODERN COTTAGE IN DRACUT Centre, to let; also clean, bright tenement near Gorham st., for small family. Dr. Wesley Sawyer.

FIVE-ROOM FLAT TO LET; DOWNstairs; bath, hot water, set tubs, etc.; $12. 467 School st. Tel. 2271-R.

PLEASANT SUNNY ROOMS TO LET; steam heat, electric light, bath. Apply 6 Webster st.

FIVE ROOM FLAT TO LET, 17 Waugh st.; steam heat, electric light and all modern improvements. Inquire Farrell & Conaton, 243 Dutton st.

THE OFFICES OCCUPIED FOR many years by Dr. Carolin, to let, in The Lowell Five Cent Savings Bank building. Inquire at bank.

EIGHT-ROOM FLAT TO LET WITH all modern conveniences; opposite Fort Hill Park. Apply 499 High st., upper bell.

FOR RENT AT 990 MIDDLESEX ST., house of 9 rooms; stable if wanted; new furnace. Inquire 324 Market st.

STORE AT 95 APPLETON ST., TO let. Good show windows. Steam heat. Apply to E. T. Wilder, Traders National Bank.

STEAM HEATED ROOMS TO LET at 19 Hurd st.

SEVEN ROOM TENEMENT TO LET; hot and cold water; pantry and bath. 47 Claire st. Call at 16 Marginal st.

TWO GOOD OFFICES IN THE HARrington building, 52 Central st., to let at a very low rental. If desired will be rented for rooming purposes. Apply to D. J. Harrington, Building Manager, 901 Sun building.

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Separate room $1 per month for regular $2 two-horse load. Pianos 50c. The dryest and cleanest place for storage in Lowell. Telephone connection. O. F. Prentiss, 355 Bridge st.

TO LET

5 rooms, 37 Fourth st. $15.00
5 rooms, 698 School st. $15.00
4 rooms, 678 Lakeview ave. $1.00
5 rooms, 15 Second st. $2.00

Keys on premises.

INQUIRE

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PRUNING AND MOTHS REMOVED. Orchards a specialty. Henry Reed, 417 Hildreth st. Tel. 3111-M.

THE CORAM HOUSE, "PRIVATE Hospital" has a few rooms to rent to graduate nurses in good standing. Telephone 4622.

J. BURNS & SON, SLATE ROOFERS. Roofs repaired. Tel 3282-W. 166 Concord st. Tel. 1455-J. 200 Pleasant st.

STOVE REPAIRS OF ALL KINDS—We furnish only the original repairs. Twenty years a stove man. Ineson & Co., 321 Central st.

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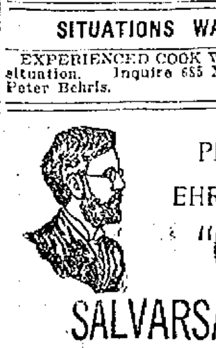
THE SUN IN BOSTON—THE SUN IS on sale every day at both news stands of the Union station in Boston. Don't forget this when taking your train for Lowell.

SITUATIONS WANTED

EXPERIENCED COOK WOULD LIKE situation. Inquire 655 Merrimack st. Peter Behrls.



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Administered in the veins at Dr. Temple's Lowell office. NO LOSS OF TIME from business. NO PAIN. Lues, malaria, locomotor ataxia, and various forms of skin disease arising from blood poison.

This solves the problem of the centuries and rids the world of the WORST SCOURGE that the human race has known. RESULTS IMMEDIATE. Wasserman blood tests made. Also treats cancers, tumors, all acute and chronic blood and nervous diseases of men and women, hydrocele, varicocele, stricture, prostatic diseases, piles, fistula, fissures, ulcers and rectal diseases, WITHOUT THE USE OF THE KNIFE. Diseases of the eye, ear, nose, throat, skin, stomach, liver, kidneys, bladder, bowels and rectum, epilepsy, and all nervous diseases.

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KEY TO FIRE ALARM BOXES

1 All box numbers commencing with the figure one, as 12, 13, etc., up to 131 are located within a radius of about one-half mile from the North common, extending from Dutton street north to Pawtucket street and from School street east to Merrimack mills.

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4 All box numbers commencing with four, are located in the Ayer's City and Bleachery districts, extending from Edson cemetery northerly to Hale street and from Chelmsford street easterly to Concord river.

5 All numbers commencing with five, are located in the upper Highlands and Middlesex Village.

6 All numbers commencing with six, are located in Centralville.

7 All numbers commencing with seven, are located in Pawtucketville.

8 All numbers commencing with eight, are located in Belvidere.

TRAINS TO AND FROM BOSTON

Southern Div. To Boston Lve.	Arr.	From Boston Lve.	Arr.	Portland Div. To Boston Lve.	Arr.	From Boston Lve.	Arr.
5.43	6.50	2.55	3.33	6.35	7.36	z5.89	8.06
6.25	7.26	6.00	6.58	n7.52	8.45	9.13	10.29
6.47	7.30	7.11	8.24	9.32	10.03	10.50	11.53
b6.40	7.63	7.50	8.35	10.57	12.07	11.50	12.55
6.57	8.00	n8.21	9.29	12.03	1.13	3.30	4.40
7.21	8.05	9.00	9.39	z1.27	2.10	5.14	6.13
s7.28	8.49	9.30	10.05	3.40	4.41	6.08	7.05
7.56	8.37	11.30	12.03	5.15	6.41	7.00	8.15
8.56	9.37	12.30	1.09	7.25	8.35	9.53	11.05
n9.20	10.34	2.00	3.06	10.25	11.33		
9.36	10.18	3.00	3.46				
10.14	11.36	b3.44	5.00				
11.03	11.45	4.00	4.38				
12.15	1.05	s4.14	5.34				
1.45	2.25	5.00	5.38				
2.30	3.27	b5.21	6.32				
3.49	4.30	5.33	6.34				
4.20	5.27	b5.51	7.14				
5.31	6.28	6.14	7.23				
b6.17	7.22	8.00	8.38				
6.22	7.05	8.30	9.08				
8.06	8.50	10.30	11.36				
9.46	10.30	11.40	12.36				

Sunday Trains

Southern Division			
6.47	7.30	8.45	9.47
7.21	8.05	9.30	10.03
8.30	9.36	11.30	12.09
9.06	9.58	1.00	1.59
10.20	11.17	6.30	6.24
2.42	3.25	8.00	8.33
5.10	6.00	8.30	9.08
6.27	7.10	9.30	10.25
8.06	8.50	10.29	11.35
9.46	10.30		

Portland Division			
8.20	9.27	8.00	9.18
12.10	1.16	12.03	1.00
5.50	5.06	3.30	4.46
5.45	7.00	5.30	6.36
8.55	10.01	6.45	9.48

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MEN IN STATE PRISON WILL WEAR NIGHTSHIRTS

BOSTON, Dec. 14.—Beginning tonight, the inmates of the Charlestown state prison will for the first time in the history of the institution wear nighshirts when they go to bed. This is an innovation in prisons, Charlestown being the first in the country to adopt it.

The idea originated with Acting Warden Nathan D. Allen, who has been in charge of the prison for the past six months. In the past few weeks he has had the prisoners busily engaged in the workshops making the shirts and today Mr. Allen will give each of the 731 inmates two shirts, so that they may make a change once a week.

Many of the inmates, according to the prison officials, will don night shirts for the first time in their lives. It will be the first time in 38 years that Jesse Pomeroy has retired in a night shirt.

Heretofore the prisoners have gone to bed in their working clothes. When Mr. Allen assumed charge of the institution he did not believe the prisoners should sleep in the clothes they wore while working about the prison yards and shops, and he immediately got the forces in the shops busy on 1600 night garments.

Four hundred white iron beds, with springs and mattresses, are also being turned out in the prison workshops at the orders of Mr. Allen, who will install them in the old section of the prison, replacing the old-fashioned wooden slat-beds located in some 400 cells in the north and west wings. A bathroom with tubs is being installed in the prison hospital. Already there are several shower baths in the prison, under which the inmates take weekly baths.

Many other changes are contemplated by Acting Warden Allen within the next few months. He has already made many improvements since assuming charge of the institution. The buildings have all been repaired and painted, new sanitary facilities installed and the food served to the prisoners has been improved. Smoking is now permitted by the men in their cells from 7 a. m. to 9 p. m., while they are in the cells. Heretofore the men were allowed to smoke an hour and a half each evening.

The prisoners highly appreciate the interest that is being taken in them by Mr. Allen, and have extended him a vote of thanks. There is a general good feeling among all of the inmates, and the prison is said to never have been on such a good footing as today. There is no trouble among the inmates and less punishment is meted out.

TURKISH BATTLESHIP TORPEDOED BY BRITISH

LONDON, Dec. 14.—A communication is issued by the official bureau today, announcing that the Turkish battleship Messudieh has been torpedoed by a British submarine.

The official bureau's statement is as follows:

"Yesterday submarine B 11 in charge of Lieutenant Commander Norman D. Holbrook of the royal navy entered the Dardanelles and, in spite of the difficult current, dived under five rows of mines and torpedoed the Turkish battleship Messudieh, which was guarding the mine fields.

"Although pursued by gunfire and torpedoboats, the B 11 returned safely after being submerged, on one occasion for nine hours.

"When last seen the Messudieh was sinking by the stern."

The Messudieh was a very old boat, having been built at Blackwell, Eng., in 1874 and reconstructed in 1903.

SERVIANS CAPTURE SEVEN AUSTRIAN OFFICERS AND 2188

LONDON, Dec. 14.—According to a despatch from Nish, Servia, to Reuter's Telegram company an official communication issued there Sunday claims that all attempts by the Austrians to halt their retreat have failed and that the Servians are continuing to sweep the country clear of them. The Servians are advancing successfully in the direction of Milanovatz and Belgrade, the communication continues:

"The enemy is retiring southeast of Obrenovatz.

"In the course of the day the Servians captured seven officers and 2,188 men, two flags, sixteen mountain guns, other guns, munitions and supplies."

FEATURES OF LAST NIGHT'S EUROPEAN WAR NEWS IN BRIEF FORM

French successes in Woevre threaten German line of communication between St. Mihiel and Pont-a-Mousson.

German attacks around Ypres and in Vosges repulsed.

Germans announced capture of 11,000 prisoners in North Poland.

Sweden refutes German claim that Russian mines blew up Swedish ships.

Report Kaiser must undergo operation on throat; Berlin dispatches say he will return to the front this week.

Germany said to have advised Turkey to yield to Italy's demand for satisfaction for violation of consulate at Hodeida, Arabia.

Austrians report victories over Russians in Galicia.

Brussels arranges to pay war levy by taxation.

Both German and French official reports yesterday contained evidence that the allies' offensive movement is beginning to gather impetus and is meeting with stubborn resistance.

ESTABLISHMENT OF AN AERIAL MAIL SERVICE

WASHINGTON, Dec. 14.—Asserting that for the first time since its organization by Benjamin Franklin, the post office department is on a self sustaining basis, Postmaster General Burleson submitted to President Wilson yesterday his annual report.

Among the most striking recommendations he makes is the establishment of an aerial mail service, where topography warrants, and extension of motor truck and auto service in view of recent experiments.

To Be Self Sustaining

Mr. Burleson's report records enormous growth in the department's business because of the parcel post and postal savings bank divisions, and recommends a program of postal legislation to increase the scope of the department's activities.

Mr. Burleson features his report with an estimate that a surplus of $3,569,545, the second of his administration, will be shown for the fiscal year of 1914, when all claims and charges have been made. On that showing he bases his declaration that the department "has been securely placed upon a self sustaining basis."

"It is safe to say," the report adds, "that unless unusual conditions should arise resulting in abnormal depression of business there is no danger of recurring deficiencies."

The legislative program recommended is as follows as to its most important features:

Early action toward government ownership of telegraph and telephone lines and immediate taking over of these systems in Hawaii, Alaska and Porto Rico; transfer of the Alaska cable from war to postoffice department control.

Contract R. D. Service

Substitution of contract "star route" system for salaried rural carrier service to eliminate $40,000,000 annual loss on rural delivery.

Postoffice cooperation with state governments in road building where improvements insure better postal service.

Raising maximum balance acceptable at postal banks from $500 to $2000, interest payments to be limited to $1000. Removal of monthly deposit limit restriction.

Aerial mail service, where topography warrants, and extension of motor truck and automobile service in view of recent successful experiments.

Passage by senate of pending bill providing space basis of compensation for railroads on mail carried instead of weight basis.

Pending change in rural delivery system, computation of carriers' salaries on basis of services performed, dependent on bulk of mail carried, to stimulate business.

Readjustment of postmasters' salaries on basis of changes in business handled due to parcel post development.

Raising of second class rates on publications other than newspapers issued once a week from one to two cents a pound.

Granting the department legal jurisdiction over selection of sites and designs for postal buildings.

STUBBORN FIRE

In the Mansur Block—Blaze at Fairmount Street Residence

Fire broke out in the Mansur block at the corner of Central and Market streets about 11 o'clock yesterday and for a time it was feared that the building was doomed. The blaze was discovered by E. C. Osborn, employed by J. A. Weinbeck, and a telephone alarm summoned a portion of the fire department. This was quickly followed by an alarm from box 25, at the police station and the prompt work of the firemen prevented a serious loss.

The fire started in a shaft in the centre of the building through which numerous pipes pass and the reflection of the blaze through the partitions attracted the attention of Mr. Osborn. The blaze made rapid headway and the firemen found considerable difficulty in getting in a position to extinguish the creeping flames. It was necessary to rip off the partitions on several floors and to use a large quantity of water, before the fire was put out. The origin of the blaze could not be learned though it is suspected plumbers who worked in the shaft during the past week left some material which caused the fire.

The entire loss is estimated at about $500, the principal damage being done to the building which is owned by the Nesmith estate. Dr. Dugdale was also a heavy loser as was the proprietor of the Crown studio. Slight damage was done in the Mathew Temperance Institute rooms and to the undertaking establishment of J. A. Weinbeck.

Fred C. Church carried insurance on the Mansur block damaged by fire yesterday morning, also on the stock of John B. Chapman, tailor; Ella C. Green, studio, and J. A. Weinbeck's stock.

Fire at Lawyer Donahue's Home

Considerable damage was done to the dwelling of Daniel J. Donahue at 157 Fairmount street by a fire which was discovered at 5 o'clock yesterday forenoon. The fire originated under a couch in one of the parlors and spread rapidly before the arrival of the fire department. A portion of the front part of the house was badly damaged while the furniture on the lower floor suffered considerably from smoke and water. A telephone alarm was followed by an alarm from box 87.

Fred C. Church carried insurance on the house and contents of Daniel J. Donahue, Esq., Fairmount street, damaged by fire yesterday morning.

A telephone alarm at 12.14 o'clock yesterday was for a fire in an automobile on Stedman street. The machine is owned by H. L. Chalifoux and the blaze was extinguished before any damage was done.

SHE IS NOT DEAD

Mrs. C. L. Merriam Not Seriously Injured and Will Recover

The Lowell friends of Mrs. Charles L. Merriam, wife of the former Lowell clergyman killed in an auto accident in New Jersey, will rejoice to know that she is not dead and that her recovery is expected. She was in the auto with her husband when the accident occurred and was seriously injured.

Somehow the report that she was dead was sent out from Boston Saturday and was published widely over the state.

Mr. A. W. Greeley, her brother, who resides at 150 Beacon street, this city, wired to New Jersey Saturday evening asking if she had died of her injuries as reported. He received in reply a statement that she was not dead and that her speedy recovery is expected. She suffered severely from the nervous shock as well as the actual injuries. She was too ill to be notified of her husband's death until late on the day following. She was unable to leave the hospital to attend the funeral which occurred Friday but she has borne up well under the strain.

It is hoped she will soon be able to leave the hospital.

The funeral of Mr. Merriam was held Friday from the Congregational church in Hackensack, N. J.

Mrs. Merriam was formerly Miss Grace Greeley of Pelham. She was a public school teacher in the city of Malden before her marriage.

FIRE CAUSED $5000 LOSS

BLAZE IN PITTSFIELD BUSINESS BUILDING IS BELIEVED TO HAVE STARTED FROM ELECTRIC WIRES

PITTSFIELD, Dec. 14.—A fire, which is believed to have started from electric wiring, caused damage of $5000 in a wooden building on Fenn and Pearl streets yesterday. The blaze spread between partitions to the second and third floors, and the largest damage was in the works of Pfeiffer & S. Cheyne, A. F. Dodge's harness shop and Klein Bros.' grocery, due to water and smoke.

Some loss on the third floor will fall on the Pittsfield garage, Knights of Malta, St. Jean Baptiste society and Court Greylock, F. of A., which used this floor as a lodge roof. The building is owned by Ex-Mayor Allen H. Bagg.

THREE FIRES IN LYNN

ONE AT THE PLANT OF THE GOODWIN BROS., 61 OXFORD STREET CAUSED ABOUT $1000 DAMAGE

LYNN, Dec. 14.—Fire, which broke out at 7 a. m. yesterday in the three-story wooden building of the Goodwin estate, 61 Oxford street, located in a nest of brick structures, gave the firemen a three hours' battle.

It started from a boiler in the basement, which, together with the first two stories, is occupied by the Goodwin Brothers, last manufacturers. When Patrolman Abraham L. Glover sounded an alarm a dense smoke caused by the burning of maple blocks in the basement was pouring from the windows.

The fire worked its way up through the first two floors, causing about $3000 damage to the Goodwin Bros. establishment, and burned slightly in the third floor, occupied by the Proctor Engraving company. The loss on the floor of the Proctor company is estimated at $1000.

Damage to the amount of several hundred dollars was caused in the factory of the Mitchell Stain company, 87 Washington street. Water from automatic sprinklers was released by a fire which started about noon. The explosion of a chemical near a lighted gas jet is thought to have started the fire.

A fire, started it is believed by children playing with matches, caused about $50 damage yesterday afternoon in the house of Arthur White, 251 Summer street.

FLEE IN NIGHT CLOTHING

BOLAN FAMILY AWAKENED BY BLAZE AT WINTERPORT—STOCK DESTROYED

WINTERPORT, Me., Dec. 14.—Mr. and Mrs. Wilbur H. Bolan and their two sons escaped in their night clothing early yesterday morning when they were awakened with their home ablaze.

The house and outbuildings, about a mile from this village, were burned flat with all the contents, including half a dozen head of cattle, two horses, pigs and poultry. The fire apparently originated in the shed.

The house was built more than 100 years ago and British officers took dinner there when they were on the expedition up the Penobscot in 1814. It was a famous landmark commanding a fine view of the river. It had been occupied by several generations of the Bolan family. The loss will be about $2000, partially insured.

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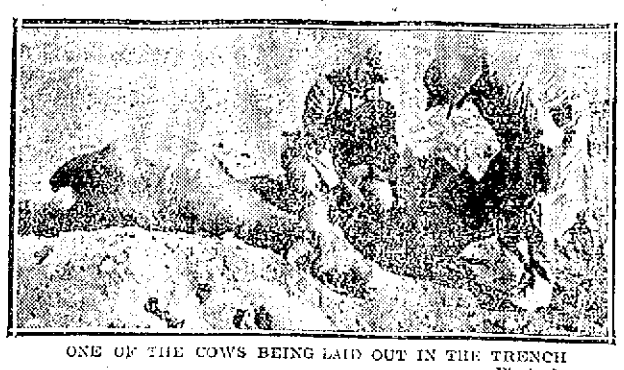

ONE OF THE COWS BEING LAID OUT IN THE TRENCH
Photo by Barr

State Officials Slaughtered Cattle and Pigs—One Cow Made a Race for Life

The George F. Heland herd of cattle in Dracut was the last herd to be killed in this state as the result of the foot and mouth disease. Mr. Heland's farm is just this side of the New Hampshire line, and one who happened that way Saturday forenoon might imagine that the Germans and allies were fighting it out on neutral territory. State and government agents killed 39 cattle and 25 pigs, and some hens.

Dr. Charles J. Dailey, district agent for the department of animal industry, was high executioner, and he had as his assistants Frank S. Marion and Fred S. Bancroft. Dr. Hyde and Dr. Crawford were appraisers for the government, and Otis E. Furbush and M. T. Cerrigan, appraisers for the state. Dr. Eaton was also present.

Dr. Dailey, the man with the gun, belongs in Lexington. He used a 45-calibre Colt revolver and his aim was ever sure. He is the William Tell of the animal industry department. As the cows were led out they were placed in trenches as was the case in the shooting of the Coburn herd. Pigs and cattle were buried in the same trenches with a covering of quicklime to insure their complete destruction.

The work was begun at 10 o'clock and was finished early in the afternoon. There was some excitement when one of the cows bolted upon reaching the trench and started pell-mell through the field with two men hanging on to either horn for dear life. The cow's marathon, however, was cut short by one of the men who gave her the foot as she was about to jump a stone wall. Twenty minutes later she had forgotten all about her troubles. She was dead in the trench with pigs as her death-companions.

Agent C. F. Richardson and his assistant, C. F. Gilmore of the Lowell Humane society were present by invitation, as was The Sun's photographer. All of the men actively engaged and those present as spectators were required to wear rubber garments and high rubber boots to permit effective disinfecting at the completion of the task.

Mr. Heland will receive between $2000 and $3000 for his cattle, the state paying one-half and the federal government one-half. It will be several months, however, before he will receive his money as appropriations for extraordinary expenses both in the state and federal governments have been dissipated. The chances are that the bill will not be paid until the legislature gets down to business again and appropriates the money.

The Sun photographer visited the scene and took a snapshot as one of the cows was laid out in the trench.

THE LADIES OF CHARITY

MET YESTERDAY AFTERNOON AT ST. JOHN'S HOSPITAL AND CHOSE BOARD OF DIRECTORS

The officers of the Ladies of Charity of St. John's hospital held a very important meeting at the hospital yesterday afternoon for the purpose of choosing a board of directors for the coming year. Many routine matters were transacted and it was planned to hold many social activities for the season, including a linen shower to be held the second Saturday in January.

The present officers of the Ladies of Charity are: President, Miss Rose A. Dowd; vice presidents, Mrs. W. P. Lawler, Mrs. John J. Hagan; recording secretary, Miss M. Alice Cox; corresponding secretary, Sister Celine; treasurer, Sister Mary Clare.

Following is the board of directors chosen yesterday: Mrs. E. D. Kerwin, Mrs. P. L. Gilbride, Mrs. P. F. Sullivan, Mrs. E. A. McQuade, Mrs. James Gookin, Mrs. J. H. Donnelly, Mrs. C. W. Brown, Miss Pearl Courtney, Mrs. Hugh C. McOsker, Miss Louisa Drach, Mrs. Nano Gallagher-Leahey, Miss Elizabeth Clark, Miss Fannie Maxwell, Mrs. Chas. Keyes, Miss Margaret J. McCluskey, Mrs. Henry L. Rourke.

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U. S. SUBMARINE BOATS

MILITARY PREPAREDNESS AGAIN DISCUSSED—COMMANDER STERLING TESTIFIES

WASHINGTON, Dec. 14.—Military preparedness of the country was up for discussion again today by the house naval affairs committee with Secretary Daniels on hand ready to continue his testimony. Commander Sterling of the naval tender Dixie was to testify regarding the condition of submarine boats of the navy. Testimony of these two witnesses was expected to conclude the public sessions of the committee preliminary to holding executive sessions when the naval appropriation bill is to be finally passed upon before being reported to the house.

Testimony so far has been to the effect that while an increase of submarines was desirable, the number of battleships should not be curtailed on that account; that there is a present shortage of officers and men; that it has been difficult to get satisfactory aeroplanes in which the United States is behind Europe; that the Mexican expedition brought out clearly the lack of medical supplies and the need of two new hospital ships; that for a full medical complement the navy is short 65 naval officers and that there are numerous needs of the navy.

The need of additional funds with which to meet the social obligations of the superintendent of the naval academy was brought out in the executive hearings. Captain William Fullam, confiding to the naval committee, "that I would not go to the naval academy again as superintendent under these circumstances," of lack of sufficient funds for hospitalities that could not be escaped, suggested that "Annapolis is very near Washington." This, he said, entails social responsibilities, besides "the real obligation to entertain the midshipmen, which has a tremendous influence for good upon them." He advocated his successors have a contingent fund of $2500 a year for this purpose, the military academy at West Point having $3,000.

FUNERAL OF S. E. PAYNE

AMERICAN AND FOREIGN OFFICIALS PRESENT AT SERVICES IN CONGRESSIONAL CHAMBER

WASHINGTON, Dec. 14.—The official life of the nation yesterday paid final tribute to the late Sereno E. Payne, for more than 30 years a member of the house of representatives from New York. Black garbed legislators, executives and members of the judiciary in their sombre, flowing robes, were joined by the representatives of foreign countries in the first formal funeral ceremony held in the chamber of the house in 15 years.

The cloud of sorrow hung heaviest over a little group of legislative veterans who sought the cold comfort of companionship in misery far back in a corner in the rear of the chamber. They were the republican "old guard," companions-in-arms of the dead statesman in the legislative battles of a quarter of a century, and they seemed uncomfortable in the public show of their grief.

In the centre, stiffly upright, with folded arms, sat "Uncle Joe" Cannon, the dead man's chief in many a hard-fought struggle of policy and statecraft. Beside him ranged James Hemenway of Indiana, John Dwight of New York, Ebenezer Hill of Connecticut and John Dalzell of Pennsylvania. All had poignant memories of standing shoulder to shoulder with the bulky form of the New York legislator in great and small governmental struggles.

The simple funeral ceremony, the quiet strains of the hymns, started unbidden tears, that were hurriedly brushed away with studied carelessness. In all the solemn formality, the "old guard" seemed to have no part. Their's was a deeper, closer grief. When the ceremony was done, and hundreds had passed the flower-banked catafalque, they stood together and gazed for a few moments on all that was mortal of their dead companion.

"I swore I would never enter this chamber again until I came with a certificate of election in my hand," said "Uncle Joe" Cannon, his square jaw trembling, "but Payne died and I had to come to the funeral."

Neither President Wilson nor Vice President Marshall attended the services, but both were represented. The senate entered the chamber headed by Senator Thornton of Louisiana, as president pro tem, and Secretary of State Bryan headed the cabinet members. Secretaries Houston, Redfield, Lane and Wilson, the cabinet members and the justices of the supreme court occupied the front seats of the house chamber.

When the gathering had been seated and the galleries had been filled with a thousand spectators, Rev. Dr. Henry N. Couden, chaplain of the house, opened the services with a simple prayer. "Nearer, My God, to Thee," was sung by the quartet of Calvary Baptist church, which Mr. Payne attended, and Rev. Samuel H. Greene, pastor of the church, preached a brief sermon. The quartet then sang "Lead, Kindly Light" and the chaplain pronounced the benediction.

After the ceremony the body was left to lie in state until later yesterday afternoon when, escorted by a committee of 50 members of the house and senate, it was taken to Auburn, N. Y., the home of Mr. Payne.

MAINE HUNTER KILLED

RAMSEY PICKED UP GUN BY MUZZLE AND THE TRIGGER CAUGHT AND CHARGE ENTERED BODY

OLDTOWN, Me., Dec. 14.—John Ramsey, aged 28 years, employed in the pulp mill at Great Works, where he lived, was killed yesterday afternoon by an accidental shot from his own rifle.

He was on a hunting trip at a camp on Great Work stream, about six miles from this city. He had rested his rifle against a stump in front of the camp, and in picking it up by the muzzle the trigger caught and the charge entered his body over the heart.

Friends started with him for the hospital here, but he died on the way. He leaves a wife and one child.

If you want help at home or in your business, try The Sun "Want" column.

PASTOR IS THREATENED

Catholic Priest Formerly of This City Receives Blackhand Threat of Death

Rev. Casimir Urbanowicz, pastor of St. Rocco's church, Montello, who received a blackhand letter one day last week, threatening his life unless he vacated the church property, was formerly pastor of St. Joseph's (Lithuanian) church in Rogers street, this city.

Rev. Fr. Urbanowicz celebrated mass at the church yesterday despite the pleas of his people. A number of policemen were on hand to guard the priest from molestation, and a close watch was kept on all persons coming near the rectory of the church. A middle aged woman is suspected of delivering the blackhand letter containing the threats to kill the priest. Her arrest is expected at any moment.

Here is the text of the blackhand letter:

"Dear Father:—If you do not vacate St. Rocco's church property, where you are now living, within twenty-four hours, we will kill you.

"This is no joke, as you will find out in due time."

Instead of a signature appeared a blackhand with a drawing of a skull and crossbones at the top of the letter paper.

The letter was written in lead pencil and in English. The writer was fairly intelligent, according to the police. It was delivered to the maid at the rectory, Miss Mary Sarkilosky.

Rev. Fr. Urbanowicz made many friends during his stay at St. Joseph's church in this city. He was a tall, fine looking man and possessed many scholarly attainments. His former parishioners are greatly incensed over the sending of the threatening letter and are in hopes that the writer will be speedily apprehended.

ITALY DEMANDS REDRESS

GERMANY ADVISES THE PORTE TO YIELD—CONSUL OF HODEIDA WAS KEPT PRISONER

ROME, Dec. 14.—Italy has reiterated her urgent demand for satisfaction to the sublime porte for the forcible removal of G. A. Richardson, the British consul at Hodeida, Arabia, from the Italian consulate, where he had taken refuge, and for his immediate liberation.

It is understood that Germany has advised the Constantinople government to satisfy Italy's demand and thus avoid complications.

Baron Sonnino, the Italian minister of foreign affairs, in answering an interpellation in the chamber of deputies Saturday regarding the Hodeida incident, gave the story of Consul Richardson's arrest, which already had been made public. He added that Sig. Cecchi, the Italian consul at Hodeida, who came to the defense of his colleague, was obliged to remain in his own house, which was watched for several days, until the arrival of the Italian coast guard ship Giuliana and the Italian armored cruiser Marco Polo, which had been ordered to Hodeida.

The Turkish government, in answering a request for reparation, the minister told the deputies, said that it was awaiting information and would adopt the necessary measures. Baron Sonnino concluded by saying that he did not believe the Ottoman government wished to share the responsibility of such a patent violation of consular rights.

Having heard Baron Sonnino's statement, the deputies indulged in an enthusiastic manifestation in favor of national concord, in which the whole house, including the president, the premier and the cabinet, joined, crying "Viva Italia!" after which the chamber adjourned until Feb. 18.

Senator Morandi Saturday presented in the senate a resolution in which he says that peace would probably be even more disastrous than the present awful conflict, if it obliged Europe to provide new and excessive armaments, as this would mean ruin to the economic forces and thus would be a grave danger to social order and civil progress.

The senator said that armaments lead to the cataclysm which they are intended to avert. His resolution urges the government to use all its influence to avoid further armaments.

MANY APPEAL FOR AID

CHICAGO CHARITABLE ORGANIZATIONS SWAMPED AS RESULT OF COLD WAVE—ZERO WEATHER

CHICAGO, Dec. 14.—Charitable organizations were swamped here today for appeals for aid as a result of a cold wave which swept the great lakes region last night. The temperature dropped 31 degrees to zero in 10 hours. All municipal lodging houses were packed with homeless men last night.

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WOMAN WEAVER BROKE ARM IN TWO PLACES

Catherine White Fell While Working at Loom in Middlesex Mills —Case Heard Today

A rather unusual case coming under the workmen's compensation act was heard before a committee on arbitration in the aldermanic chamber at city hall this forenoon. The employe in the case was Miss Catherine L. White, and the employer the Middlesex mills. The arbitrators were Edward J. Meehan, for the employe; G. Hawthorne Perkins, for the insurer and David T. Dickinson, chairman. James J. Kerwin was counsel for the employe, and Gay Gleason for the insurer, the American Mutual Liability and Insurance company.

Miss White was employed in the Middlesex mills in the capacity of weaver. On Sept. 30, she fell while working about her loom and sustained a double fracture of the left arm at and just above the wrist, supposed to be due to her arm coming in contact with the cloth gear on the loom as she fell, though counsel for the insurer argued that there wasn't any evidence to thoroughly substantiate the theory that her arm was broken by coming in contact with the gear. Miss White could not tell what caused her to fall. She knew she did not slip nor stumble and then came the question: Did the accident arise out of her employment? If she had fallen to the floor and had broken her arm without it coming in contact with the machinery she would not, it was stated, be entitled to compensation. Counsel for the insurer claimed that

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SEC. MURPHY PLEASED WITH WASHINGTON TRIP

Says the Large Delegation Made Good Impression—Sentiment of Mer'k Valley Felt at Washington

The Lowell delegation who attended the congressional hearing on the matter of deepening the Merrimack river to make it navigable from Lowell to the sea, returned to this city last night well pleased with the result of their efforts and the cordial reception given them during their stay in the capital. Secretary John H. Murphy of the Lowell board of trade this morning have out the following statement concerning the outcome of the delegation's visit to Wasinngton:

"An excellent beginning has been made to demonstrate the desire of the people of the Merrimack valley to the army engineers and the congressional committee that there is a demand on the part of the business interests here for water transportation of raw materials and manufactured products. With the engaging of an engineer of high standing, who will make a study of the adverse report of Col. Craighill from an engineering standpoint, we will be able to return to the army en-

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FORFEIT $30,000 BOND

FRANCIS H. GRIFFIN AND WIFE, WHO WERE ARRESTED AT GROTON FAILED TO APPEAR

NEW YORK, Dec. 14.—Federal Judge Grub today declared forfeited the $30,000 bond given by Francis H. Griffin, lawyer and sociologist and his wife, Clara Griffin last May to insure their appearance for trial on indictments charging them with mail frauds aggregating $500,000. They were arrested at Groton, Mass., and failed to answer when their names were called in court today. The bonds were given by a surety company.

Griffin's bond was $20,000; his wife's, $10,000.

HELD FOR GRAND JURY

TWO MEN HELD IN $3500 EACH—OFFICER FOYE OF DRACUT CONCERNED IN THE CASE

Arthur Pratt and Nelson Lefebvre, who were arrested in Lawrence, charged with six counts of larceny of hens in Methuen, were brought before the justice of the police court in Lawrence this morning and after entering a plea of guilty, were held in the sum of $3500 each for the grand jury.

Officer Charles A. Foye of Dracut went to Lawrence this morning to attend the trial for he felt two other counts of larceny of hens in Dracut would be brought against the young men, but such was not the case, for only the Methuen cases were within the jurisdiction of the Lawrence court. Officer Foye in conversation with a Sun reporter this afternoon says he feels confident the young men committed larcenies in his town for they had in their possession a rifle which is alleged to have been stolen from a Dracut house. The officer said he will await the result of the grand jury proceedings and then he will bring charges against the two young men.

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TURKS DEFEATED ON LAND AND SEA

Russian Army Headquarters Reports the Turks Repulsed Everywhere—Turkish Warship, With 600 Men, Sunk by British

PETROGRAD, Dec. 14.—Reports reaching here today from the front state that operations of the forces north of Warsaw, partial success of which was announced last week, have now resulted in a decisive victory, after having pierced the German front beyond Ciechanow and Przasnysz. The Russian success on this front, according to these advices, has been clinched by a wide swinging movement of the advancing Russian left on the main highway from Plock to Mlawa concluding in a heavy cavalry engagement at Jurominetna seven miles southeast of Mlawa.

Russian successes of this nature would have three important results. The immediate pressure north of Warsaw would be relieved and the German threat against the railroad lines leading east from the city would be answered. Russin troops on the right of the Vistula river would be free to seek a crossing and endanger the position of the left wing of the German army in the region of Lodz.

It is said here that the Russians will now be able to straighten their entire front running to the Mazurian lakes.

TURKISH WARSHIP SUNK BY BRITISH SUBMARINES IN THE DARDANELLES

Vigorous thrusts at the German line in France were made again yesterday by the allies, but the reports of successes in today's official statement from Paris are not borne out by the Berlin communication. The French war office states that German positions along the Aisne were demolished, that in the Woevre district a line of trenches 500 yards long was captured and that further progress was made in the Argonne and in Alsace. The German announcement says that nothing of importance has occurred in the west with the exception of a few French attacks along the Meuse and in the Vosges which were repulsed easily.

There have been no important changes in the east, according to the German statement. Despatches from Petrograd, however assert that the Russians have definitely thrown back the German column which was attempting to strike at Warsaw from the north and that as a result the position of the Russians all along their front has been improved.

The French war office announces that in Servia further successes have been won against the Austrians and that in the Montenegrin campaign the Austrians have suffered a reverse.

The German cruiser Dresden, sole survivor of the seafight in the South Atlantic on Dec. 8 in which four German vessels were sunk is reported to have reached Puenta Arenas on the straights of Magellan without injury.

Reverses for Turkey at the hands of Russia on land and of England on the sea are chronicled in today's official war despatches. Russian army headquarters in the Caucasus reports that the Turks, whose strong resistance to the invaders from the north compelled them to retreat, have now been repulsed everywhere and are being pursued beyond the Euphrats river, suffering heavy losses. The British admiralty announces that the old Turkish battleship Messudieh, which carried 600 men has been destroyed by a British submarine. To accomplish the feat the submarine penetrated the supposedly impregnable Dardanelles.

The recent successes of the Servians partly confirmed from Berlin, are said at Nish to have been extended. It is asserted that the Austrians have been unable to check their retreat before the advancing Servians who are sweeping them out of their country.

A statement attributed to Field Marshal Von Der Goltz, who was sent by the German government to Constantinople to direct the Turkish forces, indicates that in the opinion of this man, one of the leading German military authorities, the war may drag on for a long time. He is quoted as saying that Germany is prepared to carry on the war for years, but is certain to triumph eventually.

FOR SEPARATE PEACE AGREEMENT BETWEEN AUSTRIA AND RUSSIA

LEMBERG, Galicia, Dec. 14.—M. Merunovitch, an influential member of the Polish delegation to the Austrian parliament, has caused to be published in a Polish newspaper of Lemberg a request to Poles in court, diplomatic and government circles in Vienna to exert all of their influence toward obtaining an immediate conclusion of a separate peace agreement between Austria and Russia without reference to Germany.

In his announcement, Mr. Merunovitch says that it is the sacred duty of Polish aristocracy to take this step in view of the future interests of Austria and Poland. He expresses the opinion that the present time offers a favorable opportunity for the conclusion of peace with honor for Austria.

FORCES OF THE CZAR INFLICT DEFEAT UPON THE TURKS

PETROGRAD, Dec. 14.—According to a report received this afternoon from the headquarters of the Russian army operating in the Caucasus, the forces of the czar have inflicted a severe defeat upon the Turks, who had previously withstood their invasion. According to the report, the Muscovite army is pursuing the Turks beyond the Euphrates river.

DISCIPLINARY MEASURES AGAINST SOCIALIST MEMBERS OF THE REICHSTAG

BERLIN, Dec. 14.—(Via The Hague and London)—Disciplinary measures against Karl Liebknecht, the socialist leader, for his vote in the reichstag on Dec. 10 against granting the new war credits, were considered today by the executive committee of the socialist party. Dr. Liebknecht's was the only vote in the reichstag for the credit.

The executive committee of the socialist labor unions has adopted a resolution declaring that any man who refuses to vote for the credits necessary for the defense and independence of the country gives evidence by this act that he is indifferent whether or not hostile armies bring war with all its devastation into his own country. Nobody who is interested in the laboring classes and the country, this resolution continues, could hesitate in his allegiance to the decision of the party which is that in this war when the existence of the fatherland is at stake it is heart and soul with the nation.

SON OF GERMAN CHANCELLOR INJURED AND TAKEN PRISONER BY RUSSIANS

PARIS, Dec. 14.—Reports reaching here from Berne this afternoon state that a son of the German chancellor, Dr. Von Bethmann-Hollweg, has been injured seriously at Piotrkow, Russian Poland, and that he has been captured by the Russians.

THE GERMAN CRUISER DRESDEN STEAMED INTO PORT OF PUENTAS ARENAS TODAY

VALPARAISO, Dec. 14.—The German cruiser Dresden, reported stranded on the Argentine coast, steamed into the port of Puentas Arenas today uninjured. This information reached here today in a despatch from Puentas Arenas.

GENERAL STAFF OF THE RUSSIAN ARMY ISSUES A STATEMENT

PETROGRAD, Dec. 14.—The general staff of the Russian army has given out the following communication under date of Sunday, Dec. 13:

"There has been no engagement of importance on any of the fronts. In the region of Mlawa we continue to force back the German troops, who are in retreat.

"On the left wing of the river Vistula there has been no change.

"In the region of Mount Duckla, Austrian columns are coming down the northern slope of the Carpathians."

REPORT SAYS IT HAS BEEN DECIDED TO OPERATE ON KAISER'S THROAT

LONDON, Dec. 14.—Telegraphing from Berne, Switzerland, a correspondent of the Central News says:

"A telegram received here from Munich states that it has been decided to operate on Emperor William's throat, but the operation is being deferred owing to the feverish condition of the emperor."

Rumors of the illness of the emperor have been in circulation for several days. His majesty returned to Berlin from the front and it was then variously reported that he was suffering from influenza, catarrh of the throat and nervous breakdown. The latter part of last week the report had a more hopeful tone and it was said that he was recovering and soon would be able to return to the front.

Last night a despatch reached New York from Basle by way of London, saying the emperor might be obliged to undergo an operation on the throat and that he probably would not be permitted by his doctors to return to the field until after Christmas.

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Of the Stock Exchange Will be Created Tomorrow—Eliminate Clearing House List

NEW YORK, Dec. 14.—An open market for all stocks on the floor of the stock exchange will be created tomorrow. This action was decided on this afternoon. It was voted to eliminate, beginning tomorrow, the so-called clearing house list and to place the stocks therein on the same basis of trading as the 162 issues already approved.

The solitary restriction placed on all stocks is to be that their prices shall not go below the minimum already established.

The chief issues thus placed in the open market are the United States Steel, Southern Pacific, Great Northern, Canadian Pacific, New York Central and Anaconda Mining issues, all known as international securities.

During the sessions of Saturday and today the last vestige of apprehension that foreign investors would deluge the local market with selling orders was swept away. It was this fear that had prevented the committee from listing the international issues among the approved list for open trading made public last Friday afternoon. Trading under restriction and supervision of the committee was brisk both Saturday and today in the restricted issues but it revealed to the entire satisfaction of the governors that there would be no foreign deluge of orders to disorganize the market here.

Today's action of the committee, means, it is believed, that tomorrow the exchange will go back practically on the same footing as it occupied before the European war clouds were visible.

THE JEWELERS ORGANIZE

TO KEEP OUT TRANSIENT MERCHANTS WHO AUCTION CHEAP JEWELRY

The jewelers of Lowell have organized into a body to be known as the Lowell Jewelers' Welfare league and a committee has been appointed to induce all the jewelers of this city to join the society and it is hoped within a short time, all the watchmakers and their clerks will be under one banner.

The organization of the league came about at a meeting of the jewelers which was held at the Lowell board of trade's rooms Thursday afternoon, at which time Supt. Redmond Welch of the police department gave an interesting talk on the "Protection of Jewelers from Itinerant Venders." The jewelers had been requested to assemble by Secretary John H. Murphy, who had sent a personal invitation to each one. At the conclusion of the chief's address it was suggested that a permanent organization be formed and the eleven men present unanimously elected Frank Ricard and J. E. Lyle, president and secretary respectively.

Another meeting was held [illegible] evening with fifteen men present. A committee on by-laws consisting of the following was appointed: J. E. Lyle, Willis J. Pelletier and J. A. Filion. Another committee was appointed to prepare an ordinance to be presented the municipal council to prevent the sale of goods and merchandise in the jewelry line at auction. This committee is composed of William Pratt, C. A. Senter and David Harlow. A third committee was appointed to interview the other jewelers of the city in an endeavor to have them join the league. Serving on this committee are J. E. Lyle, A Gustat and William Pratt. The clerks of the members of the league will also be asked to join the organization as honorary members.

Millard F. Wood was elected treasurer, and C. A. Senter, vice president. The next meeting will be held Wednesday evening at the board of trade quarters and it is expected the 22 jewelers of this city will be present. The meeting will be called at 7.30 o'clock and important matters will be brought before the assembly. At the last meeting of the league it was unanimously voted to keep the jewelers' stores open on Monday, Friday and Saturday evenings of this week, and next week to keep open every evening.

BOMBS DROPPED

Aviators Flew Over City of Freyburg and Threw Shells

BERLIN, Dec. 14. (via London)—The Zeitung Am Mittag publishes a despatch today saying that hostile aviators flew over the city of Freyburg in the grand duchy of Baden at 3 p. m. of Dec. 13, throwing bombs from their machines. One bomb hit a house and did considerable damage. Two others fell into Columbia park among a crowd of promenaders and two girls were injured.

500 MILE RACE

$54,000 in Prizes for First Auto Race on the Chicago Speedway

CHICAGO, Dec. 14.—Five hundred miles will be the length of the initial auto race over the new Chicagoan speedway, it was decided here last night at a meeting of the executive board of the Speedway Park association and Clifford Ireland, representing the American Automobile association.

Although the date of the race not fixed June 19 was tent[illegible] lected. It also was decid[illegible] cash prizes should aggrega[illegible] than $54,500.

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SEC. WILSON'S REPORT

Discusses Calumet and Colorado Strikes — Review of the Labor Disputes

WASHINGTON, Dec. 14.—Secretary Wilson of the department of labor, in his annual report, submitted yesterday, expresses the conviction that had the owners of the mine properties in the Calumet copper region and the Colorado coal fields dealt with the strike situations in their inception, "had they been on the ground and personally in charge, there is reason to believe that no strike would have occurred."

"Whatever may have been the responsibility of the workmen for the strike and its incidents," said Secretary Wilson, "the local management cannot be wholly acquitted; and upon the elementary principle of agency, as sound in morals as in law, ultimate responsibility must rest upon the owners.

Principally, Secretary Wilson's report is devoted to a review of the labor disputes the department has successfully mediated during the last year and it dwells at some length the principles upon which the department acts in such cases. Of the mediation and conciliation work the report says:—

"Of all the functions of the department of labor which it is yet possible to administer, this one may be reasonably regarded as the most important. Suggesting with reference to labor disputes a development of diplomatic duties in the department of labor analogous to those in the department of state with reference to international disputes, it points to a federal administrative system for promoting and fostering industrial peace; not a peace of the Warsaw order, but one of mutual benefit and good will.

Industrial Disputes

"Primarily the department of labor must conserve in industrial disputes the interests of the wage earners of the United States. Such is its duty under the law of its creation, the first section of which charges it with responsibility for their general welfare while the eighth makes this responsibility specific as to labor disputes. And those interests are exceptional in their magnitude. Not only do wage earners constitute in number more than a third of our total population, but in financial respects also their aggregate interests are vast. It is doubtful if any vocational interests represented in our governmental system exceed in volume of public importance those of the wage earners of the United States.

"But though the department of labor represents primarily the wage-earning interests in labor disputes, its ideal is to make its representation similar in character to that of the department of state, which, while representing the interests of this country in disputes between it and other countries, does so with fairness toward all countries. Accordingly the policy of the department of labor, though it executes its mediation and conciliation functions as the governmental representative of wage-earning interests, is to do so without partisanship or prejudice, but with fairness to every interest concerned.

"It should be understood, therefore, that mediation does not mean arbitration, compulsory or otherwise. Nor is it in any other sense a judicial function. The function is one of negotiation. Neither the secretary nor commissioners of conciliation whom he appoints are arbitrators. Though they may propose arbitration when circumstances seem to call for it, they do not themselves act as arbitrators, and it is contrary to the policy of the department of labor for them to do so.

For Peaceful Settlements

"What the commissioners of conciliation seek to do is to bring employer and employed together, so that they may work out their differences between themselves peaceably and amicably, as business men with legitimate differences to adjust. When commissioners fail in that way to get employer and employee together, mediation is resorted to. The commissioners negotiate between representatives of the employer in an effort to find some mutually satisfactory basis of agreement. Failing also in that, the commissioners endeavor to get the conflicting parties to agree to a basis of arbitration, the award to decide nothing but the points actually in dispute. Any of these three courses is preferable to a strike.

When the department is unable, whether through commissioners of conciliation or otherwise, to get the parties to meet and work out their own problems, or to agree upon an adjustment by way of mediatorial negotiation, or to adopt arbitration by arbitrators of their own choosing, then there is nothing further the department can do than to give to the public the information necessary to enable it to pass a fair judgment upon the merits of the dispute.

"It will be seen, therefore, that the qualifications of commissioners of conciliation are not at all judicial, and that criticisms of their having or having had partisan affiliations are based upon a misapprehension of the duty the statute has imposed upon them and upon this department. It is not a reasonable objection to a commissioner of conciliation that he belongs to a workers' organization, nor that he belongs to an employers' organization. His important qualifications are not ignorance of or indifference to the interests of either party or both, but tact, fairness, and good feeling in negotiations in addition to competency with reference to technical aspects of the matters in dispute. Those qualifications among persons having no affiliations with either side are too rare for the practical purposes of mediation and conciliation.

Merits From All Angles

"It is, then, the policy of the department of labor, and has been its custom, to appoint in important cases two or more commissioners of conciliation of the kind just described, so that the secretary may be intelligently advised of the merits of the dispute from all angles on both sides.

"This was done in the case of the Colorado coal strike, one of the commissioners in that case being, as already stated, a miner whose labor affiliations pointed to possible sympathy with the strikers, the other being a mine operator whose business affiliations pointed possibly to sympathy with the mine operators. But both were fair-minded as well as technically competent men. Their joint recommendation, approved by the department and the president and accepted by the strikers, is confidently submitted as evidence of the good faith of the department's commissioners of conciliation and of the wisdom of its general policy in mediation and conciliation work.

"Although the department seldom offers mediation in labor disputes unless solicited to do so, and although this is regarded as the wiser policy at present, yet the statute empowers the secretary to act whenever, in his judgment, the interests of industrial peace may require it to be done; and conditions are conceivable in which it would be advisable for the department to offer its good offices though neither party requested or desired it. In the case, for instance, of a strike of such bitterness as to inspire both sides with a determination to fight to the bitter end, and of such magnitude as to prejudice other industrial interests or to disturb the public at large, it would doubtless be the duty of the department of labor to intervene."

Michigan Copper Strike

The Colorado and Michigan strikes Secretary Wilson dismisses briefly, quoting references he made to them in his last report. Of the Michigan copper strike, he says: "If the managers of the property involved in this strike had dealt with the dispute at its inception, as its principal owners (Messrs. Shaw and Agassiz) might have done had they been on the ground and personally in charge, there is reason to believe that no strike would have occurred. But the local superintendent, doubtless an excellent property manager, appears by the reports to have been a poor manager of men.

"When the employees selected a conference with him, in order to present grievances, their request was entirely ignored. It appears to have been this treatment that precipitated the strike and kindred treatment that prevented subsequent negotiations for terminating it fairly. No rights of the company could have been injured, nor any prejudice to its business incurred, by a courteous reception of complaints from the employees, followed by removing grievances if real or explaining them away if mistaken.

Management Partially to Blame

"Whatever may have been the responsibility of the workmen for the strike and its incidents, the local management cannot be wholly acquitted; and upon the elementary principle of agency, as sound in morals as in law, ultimate responsibility must rest upon the owners."

Of the Colorado strike the secretary says:

"The coal strike in Colorado, which has necessitated the use of Federal troops, is another [illegible] instance of industrial [illegible] however heavily the responsibility may rest upon the strikers, it must attach also to the local management of the property involved and therefore to the responsible owners. In its early stages this strike could, as stated in the first annual report, have been settled upon fair terms had the proposals of the department of labor for arbitration by an unbiased board chosen by mutual agreement been promptly accepted."

Mr. Wilson then discusses the distribution of wage earners saying:

"The welfare of the wage earners of the United States can not be served by mediation of labor disputes alone. Affirmative measures for modifying if not wholly obviating the industrial maladjustments that generate these disputes must be undertaken as well. For this purpose legislation is necessary. Pending such legislation, however, the department is utilizing its present powers as fully as circumstances permit by availing itself of the services of the division of information of the bureau of immigration. This division of that bureau has been specifically empowered by congress to promote a beneficial distribution of immigrants. By its subsequent subordination to the department of labor, charged as this department is with promoting the welfare of the wage earners of the United States, that function may be regarded as having been so far inferentially enlarged as to include citizens within the scope of its intended benefits. The department has therefore, through the division of information entered upon plans of work for improving the opportunities of the wage-earners of the United States, whether citizens or aliens, for profitable employment.

Disputes Cause Idleness

"Excess in the supply of labor over demand for it is a cause of labor disputes which ranks high in importance, if indeed it does not rank as the cause. In colloquial terms the 'jobless man' puts all wage-workers at a disadvantage in bargaining with employers. The 'manless job' is a corresponding colloqualism. If there were a profitable 'manless job' for every 'jobless man' the complete remedy for industrial disputes would be to bring the two together; but whether so complete a correspondence exists or not, no one at all familiar with the problem of seasonal employment and of accidental displacements of wage-earners can doubt that it exists in some degree. There were 'manless jobs' for 'jobless' victims of the Salem fire, and this department helped to bring the two together; there are 'manless jobs' of the seasonal kind on our farms and elsewhere to which this department has been able in some instances to bring 'jobless men.' Insofar as departmental work of this kind can be improved and expanded, the evils of labor disputes will be minimized; and with reference to such work the co-operation of congress is urgently solicited. What is needed is timely and widespread information concerning labor conditions in every part of the country.

"By systematically bringing some 'jobless men' and some 'manless jobs' together on a national scale, the necessary first steps will have been taken toward complete removal of what is perhaps the most potent cause of labor disputes involuntary unemployment. Even in the taking of these first steps the modifying effect will be progressively realized from the beginning.

"Of course, the labor problem cannot be solved by ameliorative plans such as are here proposed unless the causes of involuntary unemployment are unbelievably superficial and vulnerable; for with seasonal variations of employment nationally adjusted, with accidental disturbances to employment nationally provided for, with individual delinquencies in respect of employment better understood by national public opinion, and with such ameliorations of industrial distress as this department is now preparing to offer, a right beginning will have been made. This work will at least clear the way for dealing effectively with the deeper-rooted and more stubborn and general causes of involuntary unemployment which thoughtful observers of modern industrial conditions seem to recognize in one form or another."

Secretary Wilson renews his last year's recommendation that congress prohibit interstate transportation of armed private police or guards for either side in industrial disputes. Suggestions for general legislation, he says, will be made on occasion. The report reviews at some length the year's work in the various bureaus in the department of labor.

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HE DIED FROM LOCKJAW

HIDER'S DEATH DUE TO HEDGEHOG QUILL—VERMONT MAN WORKED WHERE ANIMALS WERE KILLED

BRATTLEBORO, Vt., Dec. 14.—Leslie Rider, aged 17, of Marlboro, died at the Memorial hospital yesterday from lockjaw, with which he had been suffering for several days.

While at work two weeks ago flaying a dead horse in a pasture where several hedgehogs had been killed, a quill became imbedded in his knee, and although he paid little attention to it at the time, the injury gradually grew worse.

He is survived by his mother. His father suffered a sunstroke while haying some time ago.

WATER PIPE BURST

A gang of men was sent to a standpipe on Harrison street at 12 o'clock yesterday to check a leak which was caused by the freezing of the pipe. It is said that the standpipe on that street was not shut off this year and the thawing of the snow and ice caused a burst. For several minutes the water poured out of the ground in the vicinity but the water department men promptly located the leak and shut off the street main.

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Brown earthenware, white lined, three pint size, with nickel plated metal frame, side handles; regular price $2.50.
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DEATH MYSTERY

Louis Miller Succumbs in Holyoke Hospital—Found Unconscious

SPRINGFIELD, Dec. 14.—As a result of injuries sustained in a mysterious manner shortly after 10 Saturday night near the draw bridge of the Boston & Maine railroad in Willimansett, Louis Miller, aged 45, of Newell street, Willimansett, died yesterday in the Holyoke City hospital. He was picked up by passersby unconscious in a dark spot. He did not regain consciousness.

He was found by Edward Bourbeau and Daniel J. Buckley a short distance from the dry bridge, and because a man was seen running away from that locality a short time ferore it is thought that he was assaulted. However, $30 which he had with him was not taken. The case is being investigated by the Chicopee police and an autopsy will be held tomorrow.

Miller was employed by the American Thread company of Holyoke as helper on an auto truck.

UNKNOWN MAN KILLED

PAPER FOUND ON BODY PICKED UP AT AYER INDICATES VICTIM BELONGED IN LAUONIA

AYER, Dec. 14.—The body of an unknown man, who was evidently killed by a train, was picked up yesterday morning near the tracks of the Worcester, Nashua and Portland division of the B. & M. near Groton.

He was about 60 years old, 5 feet 8 inches tall and weighed 150 pounds. He wore a dark soft velvet hat and dark clothes and a letter "T" was embroidered on his shirt. A slip of paper bearing an address, of which only the word Laconia is distinguishable, was found in his pocket.

A man answering his description inquired Saturday night about trains running toward Nashua, and it is thought that he may have fallen from the 1 a. m. Nashua-bound freight yesterday.

PRAISES THE BELGIANS

BARON VON DER GOLTZ SAYS SUCH OPPONENTS SHOULD BE ESTEEMED

BERLIN, Dec. 14.—The correspondent of the Tageblatt in sofia, Bulgaria, telegraphs an interview he had with Field Marshal Baron von Der Goltz while the latter was on his way to Constantinople. Regarding Belgium Baron Von Der Goltz said:

"The situation is normal, the population having convinced themselves that the Germans are not barbarians. Life continues as in peace time and commerce and transportation are getting better.

"The Belgians fought bravely for their fatherland. Such opponents should be esteemed."

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NEW PASTOR FOR GRACE CHURCH

Stamford Pastor Comes to Lowell; Sermon on Christian Syndicalism

Strong Sermons Preached at Kirk Street and First Baptist Churches

Rev. Herbert E. Benton of Stamford, Conn., has accepted the call to Grace church, this city, the call having been extended by a unanimous vote of the members at a recent meeting. He will begin his work here about the first of January. In Stamford, Mr. Benton has conducted social forum meetings on similar lines to those started here by Rev. C. R. Skinner.

Speaking on "Christian Syndicalism" at Grace church, Sunday morning, Rev. Clarence R. Skinner said:

"Syndicalism is the French form of labor union; and the recent developments of labor abroad, especially in France, have left the old conservative lines of trade organization, and are organizing labor forces as a whole, as a complete unit in any particular community. Our form of labor organization has heretofore been along horizontal lines, each type of labor in its particular strata; and for this reason it has been difficult to mobilize. Syndicalism is a vertical organization from the apex down to the base, representing the highest type of skilled labor, down to the lowest types. The American form of syndicalism takes expression in the I. W. W.; but let not that immediate experience blind us to the tremendous value and the inevitableness of the movement and the vision that is behind the movement. It seems inevitable that we shall have a vertical organization of labor forces, which shall include all types of labor.

"Our modern society, too, is made up on the same horizontal principle. Human beings are shelved away in certain well defined strata. Syndicalism, therefore, is very fundamental and very necessary, in order to get a more social and reciprocal type of society for the 20th century.

"In our society of the future, there is going to be a process of spiritual and intellectual transfusion. Men of great spiritual and mental vitality are going to pour themselves into those of more restricted sphere and limited experience, until we shall have an average of vital strength and power that shall make our society really democratic; and a spiritual transfusion shall transform this earth into a kingdom of righteousness.

First Baptist Church

Large congregations were the order of the day at the First Baptist church yesterday and they were treated to stirring sermons by Rev. A. C. Archibald. In the morning his theme was: "An Amazing Partnership in a marvelous Enterprise."

The evening sermon was the second in the series upon the general subject of "You," and the preacher proceeded to consider "Your job, your house, your wife and you." This theme, he said ,was really comprised in the idea of environment.

He said in part:

When a man in sin gets the consciousness of God into him he will be reformed. You will never save the drunkard by abolishing the saloon. He must be led by the consciousness of the power of God. You save a man not by beginning with his conditions, but by beginning with the man himself, and until you have changed the man you cannot save him. To change him he must have a new sense of God in his heart. The place to begin with environment is not on the circumference but in the centre. The doctrine of the grace of God is this: Clean up the man. The place to begin the redemption of the community is in the individual soul. Of course there is other work to be done. Unless environment has its basis of life no man can realize from it true development into character and godliness. Thoughtless men and women have their lives in God, but they do not develop spiritually because they are dead in trespasses and sins. Some may say they would be Christians if their environment was changed. But God is no more in one place than He is in another. It is in Him, not in Christian surroundings that we live and have our being. The first environment of every man's life is God, but if his spirit is dead he may never know God. Through Jesus Christ he may develop and grow into divine grace. It is in this way that you may know God—through His own Blessed Son.

Kirk Street Church

"St. Paul's Theory of Evolution" was Rev. C. A. Lincoln's sermon subject at the Kirk Street church, Sunday morning. He found his inspiration in Romans, 8:19, "The earnest expectation of the creation waiteth for the revelation of the sons of God."

Mr. Lincoln asked if we were not relying more or less upon science to do what we once thought to be the work of religion. He said:

It is with a serious voice and purpose that science says, "Are you hungry? Come unto me and by scientific agriculture I will so multiply the food products of the world that no one need be hungry. Are you thirsty? Come unto me and by scientific measures I will so purify ditch water as to make it as clear, sparkling and beautiful as the water of a mountain brook. Are you naked? Come unto me and by cleverly invented machinery I will turn out cloth so cheaply that not the poorest man on earth need go unclothed. Are you sick? Come unto me and by bacteriology, sanitation and scientific study I will banish disease from the earth. If you are in pain, I can relieve your pain with an anaesthetic. Are you in prison? Through the scientific application of the principles of criminology and eugenics I can empty all the jails. Are you poor? Let me apply the science of sociology, scientific temperance instruction, and the science of eugenics to the problem of poverty and it will no longer be true that we have the poor always with us. Are you one who labors and is heavy laden? By clever invention I can lift the heavy burdens of overworked humanity so that one man by pressing a lever can do the work of 100 men. Come unto me, weary humanity, and I will give you rest. Are you troubled with sin and sorrow? Come and I will establish a kingdom of great comfort for you and show you the inherent nobility of human nature."

Christian Endeavor Rally

The annual Junior Christian Endeavor rally of the Lowell Christian union was held in the Gorham Street Primitive Methodist church Sunday afternoon. Miss Mildred M. McKnight, superintendent of the Lowell union, presided. Words of welcome were given by Mrs. Albert Ingham, superintendent of the entertaining church, and by Walter Chase, president of the Lowell C. E. union. Rev. A. Hesford of the Lawrence Street Primitive Methodist church gave an address. Rev. N. W. Matthews spoke briefly. There were 186 juniors present, and 31 adults, making a total of 215.

The complete program was as follows: Voluntary, orchestra of First Primitive Methodist church; hymn, "Onward, Christian Soldiers"; first psalm, congregation; prayer, Rev. A. Hesford; solo and chorus, Miss MacPherson and Calvary Baptist society; remarks, Walter Chase, president Lowell C. E. union; solo, Arthur Hiley; welcome, Mrs. Albert Ingham, superintendent First P. M. Church society; song, First Baptist society choir; scripture, Immanuel Baptist society; solo, Arthur Hiley; 23rd psalm, Molly Kirk; song, Lawrence Street Primitive Methodist society; address, Rev. A. Hesford; song,

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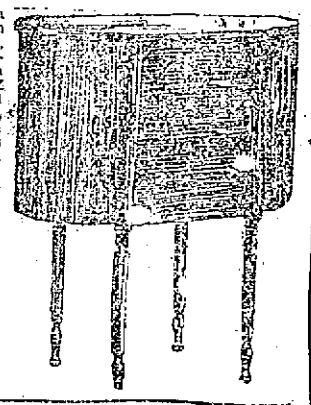

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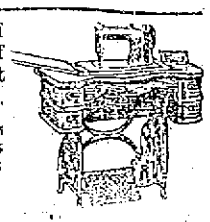

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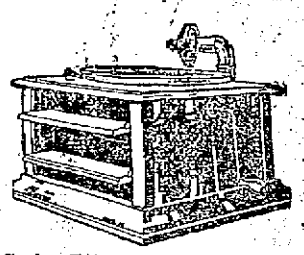

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A hat may be completely spoiled by neglecting to watch the side angle, or to take heed that the hair fills all awkward hollows.

Just so with hair itself. Not only is the side view important for the sake of those who view us from one side or the other, but the whole structure of the coiffure of the moment depends upon the profile view.

To have a good profile one must be extremely careful as to the poise of the head. If the head is thrust too far forward it makes the chin too prominent, and if the head settles backward too heavily it gives undue prominence to the throat bone.

Noses, which are the last, but most important part of the profile to consider, are the most difficult members to improve. Noses badly made by nature, are distressing, but the fault may be wonderfully improved by massage and the effect also lessened by the proper arrangement of the hair. Watch your profile carefully with the aid of a hand-glass.

First Primitive Methodist society; roll call, Blanche Libby, junior secretary; remarks, Rev. N. W. Matthews; hymn, congregation; benediction.

SAW STEAMER HIT MINE

BOSTON, Dec. 14.—Officers of the steamer Sagamore, which arrived yesterday from Liverpool, reported that their vessel was running within a short distance of the steamer Manchester Commerce when the latter struck a German mine off the coast of Ireland and sank.

The steamer Cornelis in port yesterday from Rotterdam was stopped by a British warship in the English channel, but was allowed to proceed.

PRES. HUSTIS SPEAKS

BOSTON, Dec. 14.—President James H. Hustis of the Boston & Maine railroad appealed to employes to be loyal to "our road" at a meeting of the Bay State division, Order of Railway Conductors yesterday.

President Hustis said that the management was trying to deal fairly with the men. He explained that legislation placed certain limits on the compensation of employes, but he thought it possible to conduct a railroad so that it would not be a "football of politics."

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SHEPHERD IS ARRESTED

Young Man Prominent in Missionary Work Held for Police of Norfolk, Va.—The Charge

Walter Shepherd a missionary living at 24 Hampshire street, was arrested last night on receipt of a telegram by Supt. Welch from Chief C. G. Kiser of Norfolk, Va. The charge against Shepherd was not stated in the telegram although it was brought following Shepherd's disappearance from that city while out on bail.

The arrest of Shepherd was the result of several days' communication between the police of Lowell and Norfolk. According to the report of the Norfolk chief the man arrested here was in the Virginia city some time ago and waged a campaign against the so-called "red light" district.

While carrying on his missionary work Shepherd collected somewhere in the neighborhood of $200, it is charged. He was brought to trial for his collecting this money and while out under bail of $200, suddenly left town. That was the last seen of him by the Norfolk authorities.

Shepherd was greatly surprised when told what he was arrested for. He said that he did collect $140 down in Virginia and was brought to trial for it. While under bail, he said, somebody advised him to skip and he skipped forthwith.

Last night the arrested man refused to go to Norfolk. In the case of a prisoner refusing to leave the state extradition papers are necessary and it was thought at first that this procedure would have to be gone through in this case. This morning, however, Shepherd allowed that he was willing to go to Norfolk and consequently will be taken there as soon as the officers from that city arrive here.

Shepherd is a missionary and has been the founder of two missions here. One in Middlesex street and another in East Merrimack street were supervised by him. He has not been in Lowell long.

DEATHS

SIMPSON—Mrs. Emily J. Simpson, widow of the late Olienthus A. Simpson, formerly of Lowell, died at her home in Main street, Salem, N. H. She leaves a son, Edwin A. Simpson of Lowell, and a daughter, Mary F. Simpson of Salem, N. H.

MARTIN—William J. Martin died on Saturday in New York city, aged 17 years. He leaves his wife, Mrs. Nettie Martin, and one sister, Mrs. Ida Merrill of this city.

LAFOND—Mrs. Corinne (Naurie) Lafond, wife of Calixte Lafond, aged 28 years, 10 months, 13 days, died Saturday evening at the Lowell hospital. She leaves, besides her husband, an infant son; two brothers, George and Stanislas Naurie; also three sisters, Misses Cecile and Regina Naurie and Mrs. Henry Favreau, all of Manchester, N. H. The body was placed aboard the 10.10 o'clock train yesterday morning for Manchester, N. H., where burial took place in the family lot in St. Augustine's cemetery. Undertakers Amedee Archambault & Son had charge of local arrangements.

DRUMM—Mrs. Mary Drumm died on Saturday at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Hans C. Bakke, 59 Fay street, aged 71 years. She leaves, besides her daughter, one son, Francis J.; one brother, James Murray; also three grandchildren, George H., Mary C. and Francis J. Bakke.

OWENS—Hugh Owens, an esteemed resident of Centralville and a member of St. Michael's church, died Saturday night at his home, 564 Bridge street. He leaves a wife; two daughters, Margaret and Mary; one sister, Mrs. Ellen McRafferty in Ireland. Deceased was for many years an employe of the J. C. Ayer Co. He was a member of the Quarter Century club, and of the Holy Name sodality of St. Michael's church.

PAGE—Mrs. Annie Page died this morning at her home, 8 Hampshire place, aged 25 years. Mrs. Page was a devout attendant at St. Michael's church. She is survived by her husband, George Page, and two children, also her mother, Mrs. Bridget Kennedy; four brothers and three sisters in England.

McDERMOTT—Mrs. Ellen McDermott died yesterday at the Coman house private hospital. Deceased had been a resident of this city for many years and a member of the Sacred Heart church. She leaves one son, Frank, of Seattle, Wash.; one sister, Mrs. Mary Wood; a daughter-in-law, Mrs. Mary J. McDermott; also two grandchildren, Donald McDermott of Seattle, Wash., and Ella A. Dwyer of Providence, R. I. The body was taken to the rooms of Undertakers Higgins Bros.

COSTELLO—Katherine Costello, a well known resident of this city, and a former member of St. Peter's parish, died this morning at the home of her nephew, Thomas J. Corbett, 361 Concord street. She leaves to mourn her loss one sister, Mrs. Sarah Corbett, a niece, Mrs. Mary Townsend, and two nephews, Martin and Thomas J. Corbett, all of this city.

DUFFY—Matthew Duffy, aged 60 years, a well known resident, died Sunday at St. John's hospital. He is survived by a daughter-in-law, Mrs. John J. Crowley, formerly Mrs. William Duffy. The body was taken to the chapel of James F. O'Donnell & Sons.

BARIREAU—Irene, aged 4 years, 4 months and 26 days, died yesterday at the home of the parents, John and Olive Barileau, in Martin street. On account of death being caused by contagious disease, burial took place yesterday afternoon in St. Joseph's cemetery. Funeral arrangements were in charge of Undertakers Amedee Archambault & Son.

FUNERAL NOTICES

McDERMOTT—The funeral of Mrs. Ellen McDermott will take place Tuesday morning, Dec. 15, at 9 o'clock from the funeral parlors of Higgins Bros. on Lawrence street. High mass of requiem will be celebrated at the Sacred Heart church at ten o'clock. Burial will take place in St. Patrick's cemetery. Funeral in charge of Undertakers Higgins Bros.

DRUMM—The funeral of Mrs. Mary F. Drumm will take place Tuesday morning, Dec. 15, at 8 o'clock from the home of her daughter, Mrs. Hans C. Bakke, 59 Fay street. High mass of requiem will be celebrated at the Sacred Heart church at 9 o'clock. Burial will take place in St. Patrick's cemetery. Funeral in charge of Undertakers Higgins Bros.

OWENS—The funeral of Hugh Owens will take place tomorrow morning, Dec. 15, at 9 o'clock from his home, 564 Bridge street. At 10 o'clock a solemn high mass of requiem will be sung at St. Michael's church. Burial in St. Patrick's cemetery in charge of James F. O'Donnell & Sons.

DUFFY—The funeral of Matthew Duffy will take place tomorrow morning (Dec. 15th) at 8 o'clock from the chapel of J. F. O'Donnell & Sons. At 9 o'clock a high mass of requiem will be sung at St. Peter's church. Burial in St. Patrick's cemetery in charge of James F. O'Donnell & Sons.

COSTELLO—The funeral of Katherine Costello will take place Wednesday morning, Dec. 16th, from the home of her nephew, Thomas J. Corbett, 361 Concord street, at 8.30 o'clock. Mass will be celebrated at the Immaculate Conception church at 9 o'clock. Burial in St. Patrick's cemetery. Undertaker George B. McKenna in charge.

FUNERALS

MARSTON—The funeral of Dr. Joseph N. Marston was held Saturday afternoon from his home, 775 Bridge street. Rev. C. A. Lincoln conducted the services. There were many floral offerings. The bearers were Almon Harmon, Dr. Clarence B. Livingston, Russell Fox, Frank K. Stearns, Dr. William Jones and Clark T. Cutting of Boston. Burial was in the Lowell cemetery in charge of Undertaker John A. Weinbeck. Delegations were present from Kilwinning lodge, A. F. and A. M., Mt. Horeb Royal Arch chapter and Sons of the American Revolution.

WILSON—The funeral services of Mrs. Elizabeth Wilson, who died in Tewksbury, Dec. 9, were held Saturday at the grave in the Tewksbury cemetery. The services were conducted by Rev. F. L. Briggs of Boston and the bearers were relatives of the deceased. The arrangements were under the direction of Undertaker John A. Weinbeck.

HARRIS—The funeral of Eugene A. Harris was held from the home of his brother, H. Emmons Harris, 238 Liberty street, yesterday afternoon. The services were conducted by Rev. C. E. Fisher, D. D., pastor of the First Universalist church. The Mendelssohn male quartet sang appropriate selections. The bearers were Robert Moiso, T. Mooney, J. Farrell, William Fuller, H. Osburn and W. D. Howell. Burial was in the family lot in the Edson cemetery, where the burial service was read by Rev. Dr. Fisher. The funeral was under the direction of Undertakers Young & Blake.

BROWN—The funeral services of Mrs. Mary F. Brown were held yesterday afternoon at 2 o'clock at her home, 168 Grand street. The services were conducted by Rev. Charles H. Ellis, pastor of the Central Baptist church at Chelmsford. There were a number present from the First Baptist church, where the deceased was a regular attendant for many years, also a delegation from the King's Daughters of the Central Baptist church at Chelmsford, with whom she was associated during her residence there. The bearers were Walter G. Wright, William Dana, Clarence Dana and William Landers. Burial was in the family lot in the Edson cemetery, under the direction of Undertaker Perham of Chelmsford.

CARR—The funeral of David Carr was held yesterday afternoon from the home of his daughter, Mrs. Walter Taylor, 16 Liberty street. The services were conducted by Rev. N. W. Matthews, pastor of the Gorham Street M. E. church. Delegations were present from Post 120, G. A. R., Betsy Ross circle, 24, Ladies of the G. A. R., Mary E. Smith tent, Daughters of Veterans and the following members of Oberlin lodge, I. O. O. F., read the burial service of the order and acted as bearers: W. B. Maynard, J. O. Brooks, Charles Rosander and George Desforges. The floral offerings included a pillow from the wife and other tributes from the neighbors, Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Taylor and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Richard Littlehale of Fitchburg, Daughters of Veterans, Mr. and Mrs. W. P. Wiley, Mrs. E. F. Calder and Mrs. Dickey, Mr. and Mrs. M. A. Taylor of Providence, Mr. and Mrs. N. A. Phillips, Mrs. William Rogers and family and Mrs. S. P. Mooney. Burial was in the Edson cemetery in charge of Undertaker John A. Weinbeck.

SMITH—The funeral of Mrs. Margaret Smith was held yesterday afternoon at 2.30 o'clock from her home, 11 Simpson place. Services were held at St. Peter's church at 3 o'clock conducted by Rev. Dr. D. J. Keleher. The bearers were Patrick Corkery, Charles F. McGrath, John Devine, Frank O'Neil, David Ferguson and Philip McGowan. Among the floral offerings was a pillow from the family and other tributes from the Corkery family, Michael Monahan and family, Charles McGrath, Michael McCarthy, John McMannon, Kendall family, Miss Crosby, Miss Higgins, Miss Chitty, Rita Nawn and Molly Bradley, Mitchell family, Ferguson family, Annie O'Neil, Michel Sheehan, Josephine McHugh, Nellie and Mary O'Dea and Mr. and Mrs. Connell. Burial was in the family lot in St. Patrick's cemetery, where the committal prayers were read by Rev. Dr. Keleher. The arrangements were in charge of Undertaker John F. Rogers.

INGLIS—The funeral of the late John Inglis took place this morning from his late home, 102 Beech street, and was largely attended. The cortege proceeded to St. Michael's church where at 9 o'clock a high mass of requiem was sung by Rev. Francis J. Mullin. During the services the church was well filled with many of the older parishioners, who had gathered to pay their last tribute of respect to the deceased. There were many beautiful floral offerings. Among them was a pillow inscribed "Husband and Father" from the family, and pieces from the grandchildren, clerks of J. J. McCausland & Co., Haverhill Brewing Co., J. J. McCausland and Edward R. Morris, Joseph Burns, Thomas Boyle and sister, Gallagher family, Josephine and Geo. O'Meara, Mr. and Mrs. J. L. McDonald, Miss Z. Jardine, Mr. and Mrs. R. A. Griffiths; spiritual bouquets, Mrs. McKinley, Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Keith and Mr. Walter Ingles. The bearers were Messrs. Hugh Cheever, John McGuirk, James Ready, John Corrigan and William Corbett. Interment was in the family lot in St. Patrick's cemetery, where Rev. Fr. Mullin read the committal prayers at the grave. Funeral Director James W. McKenna was in charge.

LALLY—The funeral of the late Miss Mary Lally took place this morning at 8.30 o'clock from her late home, 84 Elm street, and was largely attended by sorrowing relatives and friends. The funeral cortege proceeded to St. Peter's church where at 9 o'clock a high mass of requiem was sung by Rev. Fr. Crayton. Among the floral tributes was a pillow inscribed "Sister" from the sisters. The bearers were Hugh Burke, William Smith, Charles McCarthy, John Glynn, John O'Dea and James Maguire. Burial was in St. Patrick's cemetery, where the final prayers were read by Rev. Fr. Crayton. Undertakers M. H. McDonough Sons in charge.

TEIXEIRA—The funeral of Maria Teixeira took place this afternoon at 2.30 o'clock from the home of her parents, Juan and Rosa Teixeira, 59 Charles street. Services were held at St. Anthony's church at 3 o'clock, Rt. Bishop Henry Da Silva officiating. Burial was in St. Patrick's cemetery. Undertakers M. H. McDonough Sons in charge.

CUTRESS—The funeral of Alice V. Cutress took place this afternoon at 2 o'clock from the home of her parents, William and Annie Cutress, Woburn street, Tewksbury. Burial was in St. Patrick's cemetery. Undertakers M. H. McDonough Sons in charge.

HOLTON—The funeral of Mrs. Ann Holton took place from her late home, 18 Brooks street, at 8.30 o'clock this morning. Services at St. Patrick's church at 9 o'clock. Rev. Fr. Kerrigan officiated at the mass. There were many floral offerings, including a pillow from family and pieces from the Broadway Social club; pillow, employes of Boott cloth room. The bearers were Mr. Michael Kelly, Mr. Walter Shanahan, Mr. Mathew Gill, and Mr. Dennis A. Murphy. Interment was in St. Patrick's cemetery. Fr. Kerrigan read the committal prayers at the grave. Funeral was in charge of Funeral Director Charles H. Molloy.

MANNING—The funeral of Miss Ann Manning took place this morning from the funeral parlors of J. J. O'Connell, 658 Gorham street at 8.15 o'clock and was largely attended by many sorrowing relatives and friends. The funeral cortege proceeded to the Immaculate Conception church where a funeral mass of requiem was sung at 9 o'clock by Rev. Owen McQuaid, O. M. I. There were many beautiful floral tributes, including pieces from Mrs. Berard and family, Mrs. McGrath and family and others. The bearers were Messrs. Peter Brew, Samuel Harden, Joseph Barrows, Michael Spellacy. Burial took place in the family lot in St. Patrick's cemetery where the last sad rites of the Catholic church were read by Rev. Owen McQuaid, O. M. I. Undertaker J. J. O'Connell in charge.

INDUSTRIAL AND STORE NEWS

The Massachusetts state branch of the International Union of Steam and Operating Engineers held its semi-annual convention in Odd Fellows temple yesterday. There were delegates present from Boston, Quincy, Lynn, Worcester, Salem, Springfield, Brockton, Haverhill, Lawrence, Taunton and Lowell.

The convention was formally opened at 10.30 o'clock by John H. Smith of Lowell, who addressed the visitors and welcomed them to the Spindle City. Mayor D. J. Murphy was afterwards introduced and made a short address.

Before a ballot was taken for officers, President Thomas B. Constant asked to be retired from the duties of the office. President Constant had served at the head of the organization for the past six years and felt that it was about time that some other member should assume the responsibilities of the position. The organization tendered a rising vote of thanks to the retiring president, whose untiring work has in many ways been responsible for the high standing of the organization. Officers for the new year were then balloted for with the following result:

Frank D. Wheeler, Salem, president; Ernest P. Campbell, vice president; A. W. Hersome, Lowell, secretary; James L. Wilmarth, Somerville, treasurer.

A large amount of routine business was transacted following the election, and practically all proposed legislation was referred to the legislative committee.

Positive action was taken on the bill prohibiting a public corporation from selling power for less than five per cent. above cost of production. This bill is designed to prohibit power companies from giving easy rates to large consumers and high rates to small consumers. This practice by the corporations has been an unnecessary hardship upon the small consumers.

The convention voted to endorse the candidacy of Thomas W. Bryan of Boston for a position on the Gas and Electric commission of Massachusetts and the secretary was instructed to notify Gov. Walsh on the action taken.

The following committees were appointed:

Resolutions, A. M. Huddell, Boston; Robert McVitie, Quincy; Patrick Gorman, Boston.

Auditors, E. N. Bean, Brockton; C. J. Collins, Salem; W. A. Parker, Haverhill.

Officers' reports, H. D. McGrath, Boston; Alcide Vlaise, Holyoke.

Legislation, A. M. Huddell, Boston; chairman; William Beck, Everett; Elmer Humphrey, Haverhill; Thomas Constant, Boston; A. W. Hersome, Lowell.

Press, A. W. Hersome and J. H. Muffett, Lowell; J. J. Thompson, Worcester.

Arthur M. Huddell of Boston conducted the installation exercises.

The convention voted to send a letter of sympathy to W. J. Brady, delegate from worcester, who was prevented from attending by sickness.

The visiting delegates were royally entertained at the Richardson hotel, where dinner was served at the noon hour. The committee in charge of the reception of the delegates was warmly congratulated by the out-of-town men. This committee included: John Smith, Joseph H. Muffet, Edward Allard and Louis Pare.

The overseer who boasts of his independence knows that he knows that there is not enough of it to go around.

When an overseer finds himself down on his luck he ought to get up on his energy.

Miss Ruth Paul and Margaret Angus of the Appleton company have returned from a two days' visit to Lynn.

John King of the J. W. Barry Shoe company, is longing for the return of the ladies' nights. Cheer up, John, we'll have one some time this week.

The Loomfixers' union will hold a meeting tonight in Carpenters' hall in the Runels building. President Pierro Contu will occupy the chair.

Paddy McGowan of the Middlesex Co., will reenter the basketball arena this week, having been signed up by the Y. M. C. I. 2nd team.

The members of the Y. M. C. I., will conduct the third in a series of ladies' nights at the rooms of the society in Stackpole street tomorrow night.

John Moran of the Federal Shoe Co., made quite an impression as a football player in the aquatic games held at Spaulding pool Saturday afternoon.

Secretary Charles Farrell of the Manufacturers Bowling league is trying hard to arrange a game with the City league champs but so far his efforts have proved unavailing.

William Berry of the Bigelow Hartford Carpet company, is looking for the speedy return of Leslieball at the rooms. Bill will don a suit this season.

Andrew Livingston of McCartney's Apparel shop is one of the most popular young clerks in town. Andrew will soon reenter the ring in athletics and here he is bound to shine.

The stores will remain open every night next week, but this is no reason why the Christmas shopping shouldn't be done early. From now on will be a trying period for the clerks.

James Coyne of the Kennedy's Butter store, is a regular attendant at the Wauneset camp every Sunday. Camp life always appealed to Jim, and in all probability he is trying hard to stave off the winter.

The coming basketball game between the C. Y. M. I. 2nd team and the Belvidere quintet is attracting much favorable comment. Manager Ford of the Acre boys is particularly enthusiastic and states his team will be prepared for the battle of their lives.

Peter Golden of the American Hide & Leather company, is another who in league with Jack Quinlan is responsible for the sudden exodus of rabbits out around Tewksbury. Pete is noted as a crack shot and has never been known to miss.

George Clark, employed by the Bay State Street Railway Co., was a little off form in his recent match with Kempton, the city bowling champ, and avers that he will do better next time. George is one of the most consistent bowlers in the city, which is more than a long shot in his favor.

Quite a gathering of young ladies employed at Page's have hired a couple of private alleys of one of Lowell's enterprising proprietors and will conduct a bowling tournament during the winter months. It is said that Kempton, Myrick, Pete Regan and other bowling celebrities had better look to their laurels as some of the young women are quite adept at the winter pastime.

The J. C. Ayer Co.

The J. C. Ayer company, although dull at this time, like most other factories in the city, is preparing for good business next year. "In spite of the war," says Dr. Stowell, "the business of the J. C. Ayer company has been better for the past fiscal year than during the preceding year."

Presented Bracelet

About 10 friends, employes of the Shaw hosiery, gathered at the home of Miss Blanche Foote last Friday evening, the occasion being her 16th birthday, and presented her a beautiful gold bracelet. The presentation was made by Mr. William Vincent. Refreshments were served and games were enjoyed, after which a musical program was carried out. A parody on "You Made Me Love You," was sung by Mr. Wilfred Carpentier, "When You Wore a Tulip and I Wore a Rose," by Fred Greenleaf, "Dreaming Of You," by James Glynn, piano solo by Miss Ida Richards, violin and banjo solos by Henry McKay and Claude Foote, a duet by Jack McAndrews and Mr. Benson, whistling solo by William Care, "Down By the Old Mill Stream," by Ted Foote, recitation, Frank Donnelly. The party broke up a late hour wishing Miss Foote many more happy and pleasant birthdays.

Overseers' Convention

The 32d annual convention of the National Association of Overseers held in Boston recently goes into history as the most satisfying and successful event in the life of this important organization. For the first time in many years the members seemed to realize the importance of their organization, and the dignified and businesslike procedure speaks well for the future and gives much encouragement to the serious-minded men who have labored hard to make the association what it ought to be. Let the manufacturers, overseers and employes become organized and our labor disputes will not be so frequent. Whatever protests arise can be then speedily settled by means of arbitration. This was one of the planks in the platform of the A. F. of L. convention held recently in Philadelphia, the convention saying that all bodies should be organized.

COTTON EXPORTS

Germany During Last 4 Months Received 1052 Bales of U. S. Cotton

WASHINGTON, Dec. 14.—Germany during the last four months received only 1052 bales of American cotton, 1000 bales of which were sent last month, as shown today by census bureau statistics. November's total cotton exports were slightly more than one-half as much as November a year ago, while the shipments abroad during the last four months showed a decrease of 2,591,000 bales.

Cotton used in the United States during November showed a falling off compared with the same month last year, and the quantity of cotton on hand Nov. 30 in independent warehouses was 1,747,000 bales more than at that time last year.

Exports were 77,929 bales against 1,501,259 last year and for the four months 1,165,049 against 4,266,650 a year ago.

Imports were 13,275 bales against 7281 a year ago and for the four months 67,828 against 28,084 last year.

Cotton spindles active numbered 30,441,315 against 30,949,326 a year ago.

Linters consumed was 25,730 bales against 26,242 last year and for the four months 107,060 bales against 110,000 last year; on hand in manufacturing establishments 78,373 bales against 58,823 a year ago, and in independent warehouses 56,809 against 34,541 a year ago.

Linters exported was 7287 bales and for the four months 14,064 bales.

PERSONALS

Mr. Norris L. Tibbetts of this city, a graduate of the local high school, has been elected choister of the senior class of Harvard college.

Guests from Whitinsville, Worcester and Fitchburg were present at the silver wedding anniversary of Mr. and Mrs. George N. Scott, held at their home, 238 Chelmsford street, Saturday night. Rev. J. M. Craig of the First Presbyterian church was the guest of honor. Mr. and Mrs. Scott were born in Scotland and were married in Lowell.

PARIS OFFICIAL REPORT

SAYS GERMAN ATTACKS IN REGION OF AISNE WERE REPELLED.

PARIS, Dec. 14.—The French official statement given out in Paris this afternoon reports comparative quiet in Flanders and artillery exchanges of relatively minor importance elsewhere. In the Meuse, German batteries are said to be moving to the north. In the Woevre district the French captured a trench and repulsed two counter attacks. The advance of the French line into Alsace has brought it to a point north of Altkirsch and about ten miles to the east of the frontier.

"There has been nothing of importance to report between the sea and the Oise.

"In the region of Aisne, to the northwest of Soupier, the enemy bombarded violently our entrenchments. We replied and demolished his positions. There were no infantry attacks from one side or the other.

"Our artillery destroyed an important field work of the enemy in the vicinity of Ailles.

"In the Argonne at the forest of La Grurie we have made slight progress by the use of mines. There were no attacks from the enemy.

"On the heights of the Meuse there has been violent cannonading. Batteries of the enemy would appear to have been moved to positions further north.

"In the Woevre district after having occupied a line of entrenchment along a front of 500 yards in the forest of Mortmare our troops repulsed two violent counter attacks.

"In Alsace our advance has brought our front to a line that passes 425 yards to the north of Steinbach, thence to Pont D'Asbach and thence to Pont De Brinighoefen, 1500 yards to the west of Eglingen.

"Servia: During the days of Dec. 10, 11 and 12 the enemy continued to retire along the entire front. The Servian advance guards have progressed as far as Veliki and Bosniak in the direction of Shabts, and as far as Zavinkla in the direction of Loznica."

REV. E. F. PEMBER BURIED

BANGOR, Me., Dec. 14.—Simple services took place at the home yesterday for Rev. Elmer F. Pember, who shot himself while temporarily deranged Thursday. Rev. Ashley A. Smith of the First Universalist church, of which Mr. Pember was long time a pastor and his last charge before his retirement from the ministry, officiated.

The funeral was private and limited to close friends of the family. The bearers were Dr. D. W. Maxfield, Manley G. Trask, Dr. C. P. Thomas, R. A. Kingsbury, Fred E. Maxfield, F. Parker Penney, Charles H. Adams and Frank J. Cole. Burial was in Mt. Hope cemetery.

RED CROSS SEALS

Red Cross Christmas seals are now on sale at many of the down-town stores and merchants report that there are many purchasers for the little stickers. The proceeds of the sales are devoted to the fight against tuberculosis in all parts of the country.

U. S. TREASURY CHECK NO. 141620 lost Saturday night in the Traders bank or vicinity. Reward for information or return to Box D, Sun Office.

TRADING WAS NORMAL

DURING EARLY HOURS—NEW YORK EXCHANGE WAS CROWDED WITH BROKERS

NEW YORK, Dec. 14.—Trading in stocks which was resumed last Saturday after four months of idleness, continued in a normal manner today. There was again a very large attendance of brokers on the floor of the stock exchange.

Metal shares were the feature of the early dealings, Amal. Copper, Tenn. Copper, Utah Copper, Nevada, Utah, Inspiration and American Smelting advancing one to two points on comparatively large transactions.

Coal shares, such as Reading and Lehigh Valley, added to last Saturday's notable movement, together with St. Paul, these stocks gaining one to one and a half points. Only two issues of prominence, Penna. and Atchison manifested heaviness, both recording fractional declines at the outset.

TO AVOID EXTRA SESSION

ADMINISTRATION LEADERS WANT THIS SESSION OF CONGRESS ADJOURNED BY MARCH 4

WASHINGTON, Dec. 14.—Administration leaders enter upon the second week of the concluding session of the 63d congress with a determination to complete the legislative tasks confronting them by March 4 next. The president made it known that he wishes to avoid an extra session next spring and summer and the democratic chieftains of both houses are as anxious as the president that the country should have a rest from national legislation.

Arrangements already have been made in both houses for night sessions to clean up on calendar measures.

While no special investigation of the military preparedness of the United States for war, as projected by Senator Lodge and Representative Gardner, seems to be in prospect, the subject will continue to be discussed before regular congressional committees and the house committee on naval affairs will resume its consideration of the appropriations bill today, with Secretary of the Navy Daniels again on the stand.

Military affairs will be further considered by the house military committee, which expects to get the army appropriation bill into shape today.

In the senate, the immigration bill, with its literacy test for aliens, is the unfinished business.

Its champions insist that there are enough votes to put it through.

PRESIDENT MEETS DANIEL HOOD

WASHINGTON, Dec. 14.—President Wilson today shook hands with Daniel Hood of Ipswich, Mass., who has met every president since James K. Polk.

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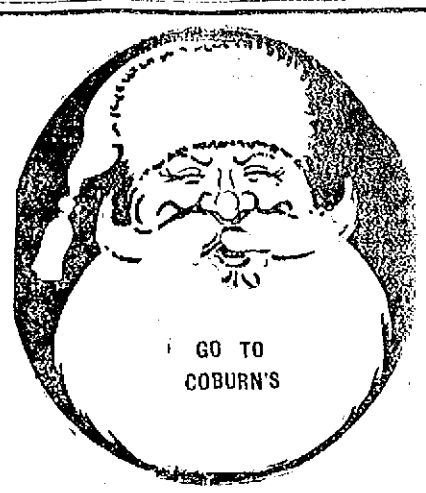

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SHOOTING AT LAWRENCE

UNSOLVED PUZZLE — SPINA SAYS HE PURSUED MAN WHO HELD HIM UP

LAWRENCE, Dec. 14.—The police have not unraveled to their satisfaction the circumstances surrounding Saturday night's shooting in the Italian section at Newbury and Common sts., in which Joseph Marka, who claims 102 Dudley street, Boston, as his home, received a bullet wound in his right arm.

Vencenzo Spina, the Common street storekeeper, who was taken into custody with a revolver in his possession, declares that he was in pursuit of highwaymen, who had held him up on the steps of his home, in the rear of 49 Common street. He said that he fired four shots into the air from a revolver which one of his alleged assailants dropped in attempting to escape, after Spina had aroused the neighborhood by his cries for help.

Policeman O'Brien also joined in the fusillade when he set out to overhaul Marka, but he declares that he fired toward the ground.

The shooting attracted hundreds of persons who, however, kept at a distance from the danger zone until the firing ceased.

Marka's story is to the effect that he was in the alleyway near Spina's home in search of the mother of an acquaintance who lives in Boston. He disclaimed any participation in the holdup and said that he was trying to escape in flight when Spina started shooting.

The police are inclined to discredit both versions of the affair. Spina secured bail pending arraignment in the police court this morning.

SLASHED AND FIRED UPON

ATTLEBORO MAN LOST TWO FINGERS IN AFFRAY—ASSAILANT ESCAPED

MANSFIELD, Dec. 14.—John Calandrella of Attleboro was held up on North Main street last night by a man whom Calandrella says he knows only as Guy, and severely slashed with a knife. Calandrella came to Mansfield to visit Ralph Peluche on Angell street. At 7.30 he started for the railroad station in company with Peluche. The man suddenly appeared before him with a long knife. The Attleboro man put up his hands to ward off the blow and two fingers were severed from his right hand and the hand gouged. The assailant then fired several shots from a revolver at both Calandrella and Peluche, but none took effect. Peluche carried a baby in his arms.

The assailant then made a hurried escape. Chief of Police Nelson and Patrolman Kennedy scoured the North End, but at a late hour had not captured the man.

Calandrella was attended by Dr. Sullivan and later was sent to the Massachusetts General hospital. Blood-poisoning is feared. From the Attleboro man it was learned that he and his assailant had trouble a long time ago over a girl. A John Doe warrant was issued for the arrest of the assailant, who came to Mansfield recently to work on the new reservoir.

The many friends of Arthur Turcotte will be grieved to learn he is confined to his home in Fletcher street with a severe illness.

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FIRING ACROSS BORDER

THREE PERSONS WERE STRUCK BY SHRAPNEL BULLETS AT NACO, ARIZONA, YESTERDAY

NACO, Ari, Dec. 14.—Three persons were struck by spent shrapnel bullets here yesterday, coming from the siege of Naco, Sonora.

The reported order from Provisional President Gutierrez for Gov. Jose Maytorena to cease his attacks if they endangered Americans is still reported "not received."

The men struck were E. H. Kuck and Jose Martinez. Their injuries were not serious. Mrs. Jose Martinez was severely wounded by a bullet, which pierced the wall of her home. Her husband was struck a short time previous.

Maytorena still purposes, it is said, to carry out his plans for a final attack Tuesday. He is, meanwhile, occupying his men with persistent firing from the south, which keeps American Naco in constant danger.

A carload of artillery ammunition was received by Maytorena today, and Hill caused the consumption of some of it by drawing the enemy's fire, while giving his own new 75-millimeter guns, received yesterday, a tryout. The gun practice resulted in placing one shell—which did not explode—squarely in the center of Maytorena's main camp. Maytorena then moved his camp.

Hill reported one man killed.

The reinforced border patrol, under command of Brig. Gen. Tasker H. Bliss, continued preparations for possible action.

GEN. CARRANZA'S REPLY

WASHINGTON, Dec. 14.—Gen. Carranza's reply to the warning from the United States government that force would be used if necessary to stop firing into American territory by belligerent Mexican factions, reached the state department last night. Secretary Bryan said that he did not know the nature of the reply, as the message came in code and had not been deciphered.

In a statement at Vera Cruz Saturday night Carranza declared that if the United States employed force to stop the firing at Naco, "it will be considered an unfriendly act, notwithstanding the friendly motives cloaking the act."

RELIEF SHIP AT ROTTERDAM

AMSTERDAM, Dec. 14.—The Norwegian steamer Oblendez, laden with foodstuffs for the Belgians arrived at Rotterdam today from New York.

STEAMER ARRIVES

NEW YORK, Dec. 14.—Arrived steamer Patria from Marseilles.

CARD OF THANKS

We wish to extend our heartfelt thanks to many friends and especially to the employes of the Mohair Plush mill, who in the hour of our bereavement, offered us their sympathy, their aid and floral tributes. We deeply appreciate the kindly efforts to lighten our burden of sorrow, and we will ever hold them one and all in loving and grateful remembrance.
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The Common Law.
Janet of the Dunes.
From the Car Behind.
Halcyon.
The Reason Why.
White Fang.
The Son of the Wolf.
Burning Daylight.
Frau.
Ben Hur.
Call of the North.
The Heather Moon.
The Iron Woman.
Over the Pass.
Joyce of the North Woods.
A Girl of the Limberlost.
Freckles.
Capt. Warren's Ward.
The Postmaster.
The Woman Haters.
The Depot Master.
The Rise of Rosco Paine.
Cap'n Eri.
Keziah Coffin.
Cape Cod Stories.
Partners of the Tide.
Mr. Pratt.
Cy Whitaker's Place.
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KEEP POLITICS OUT

The framers of the Lowell city charter had a definite object in mind when they decided that elections to municipal offices should be non-partisan. They realized very well that mayors, councilmen and aldermen under the old system of government played politics in many cases as much after election as before election, and made no apology for so doing. The party tag took the poison out of many an undesirable move and the political affiliation of a candidate for any position in the power of the municipal heads to bestow, coupled with his strength in that particular party, covered a multitude of defects. If a man was to be selected to any department or if any favor were to be granted officially, the influence of the selection on the political future of those granting the favor was the primary consideration.

We have grown away from this so far as our charter is concerned, but have we changed the spirit in the change of form? It is to be feared that we have not entirely eliminated party politics from the administration of our affairs. During campaigns the terms "democrat" and "republican" are heard quite freely and efforts are often made even by the candidates themselves to divide the electorate on such lines. This is against the spirit of our charter and hence to be avoided if the charter is to be properly applied. A non-partisan election should be non-partisan in more than name, and the non-partisan principle should actuate those elected in all their official actions. If they disregard this obvious principle, they injure the city's future and they pile up a great deal of trouble for themselves, individually and collectively.

If the non-partisan clause of the charter should be binding on the electorate, still more so should it be on our municipal heads in all their public actions. Nobody in this city is blind to the fact that not so very long ago certain moves were made at city hall from purely political motives. Certain mutual concessions were agreed on early in the administration, and the public could prognosticate the attitude of some officials on certain specific questions affecting the public welfare—knowing that an arrangement, direct or indirect, existed among certain groups of our officials. This was very undesirable but it was also very real.

There is always the danger, however, that to attain some present advantage, municipal heads will choose a course that their better self stamps as being against the charter and the public interest. Political expediency is not troubled much, unfortunately, with high idealism. Occasionally, to get a certain vote or to propitiate a certain group in the body politic, officials will hide behind the mask of political insincerity and endeavor to fool the public. They may succeed once or twice, but, in the end, politicians fool themselves when they think they are making a profound impression with their political strategy.

Let us have a business administration, fair, open and efficient, both in the school board and at city hall. Rarely has the city been confronted with more serious questions. There is not a municipal department that does not call for extraordinary activity, to meet which will tax the best efforts of our commissioners and school committee members. The things that await action cannot be done by a play of politics. The city needs individual activity and courage in its officials. Let us then have an open and business-like administration that every good citizen can approve and commend.

TRUST FUNDS VOTED AWAY

City Treasurer Stiles in a statement to The Sun has satisfactorily explained the disappearance of the Tyler and Thomas Nesmith trust funds long before he became treasurer, in fact almost immediately after the funds were accepted by the city. One of $26,000 was voted away by the city council in 1871 and another of $10,000 in 1878, while neither has ever been replaced.

The present generation, knowing nothing of this transaction, supposed the money was merged with other funds in the general treasury and used for the ordinary expenses of the city as was the Huntington hall insurance money without any special authorization by the city council. That is why it seemed necessary to find when and for what purpose the money was spent before proceeding to replace it by a loan. Now that the expenditure of these funds is fully explained by the city treasurer, there is nothing left for the municipal council but to borrow $36,000 to replace the funds which should then be segregated and put beyond reach of any future city council.

We fully agree with Col. Carmichael that it was a piece of foolishness to accept such funds in the first place; but the only course left now is to protect the funds and meet the obligations they impose promptly or else appeal to the legislature for relief from those obligations.

COMPENSATION FOR ACCIDENTS

In a bulletin just issued the federal bureau of labor statistics dwells on the subject of compensation for accidents to employes of the United States and emphasizes many points not generally known to the public. Now that 24 states have made provision for compensation in one form or another the principle is regarded as one of the accepted reforms, but as recent as 1908, the act entitled "An act granting to certain employes of the United States the right to receive from it compensation for injuries sustained in the course of their employments" established the first general accident compensation law in this country.

When the law came into effect in August, 1908, its provisions protected artisans and laborers in manufacturing establishments, arsenals and navy yards, river and harbor and fortification work, hazardous employment in the reclamation of arid lands and under the Isthmian Canal commission. It was later extended to include all employes under the Isthmian Canal commission and to take in employes in the bureau of mines, the lighthouse service and some branches of the forestry service. It is estimated to embrace approximately 95,000 persons, or "somewhat less than one-fourth of the civilian employes of the United States." The government compensation law differs in form from the laws enacted in the states, but the bulletin of the labor department says that it was influential in directing the adoption of such legislation in the 24 states that boast of such laws.

The wide scope of the government act may be surmised from some condensed figures. The number of accidents reported in all departments the first year was 4,887, for the second year 6,982, rising to 9,?81 in the third year and to over 10,000 in the fourth. In the fifth year the number was 10,876, making a total of 42,230 for the five years. It has been in operation. The total paid out in compensation amounted to $1,803,928.27. At present there is a movement on foot for the amendment of the law and its extension to cover all employes of the United States and to provide compensation for all accidents resulting in death or disability continuing for more than three days.

THE MERCHANT MARINE

The Boston Post is not enthusiastic about that clause of the president's recent message which had to do with the reorganization of the merchant marine. It will be remembered that the recommendation was for government-owned ships until the venture was made profitable, the function of transportation then to be turned over to private concerns. The Post holds, and consistently, that the situation which is outlined by the chief executive would be virtually a state of competition between the government and private capital, to the disadvantage of the latter. It calls attention, too, to the possibility of loss in the early stages of the new policy and asks "What earthly chance then would private owners have to get into the game at all?" It would be nothing short of ruinous to our future shipping if the well meant government aid turned out to be a serious obstacle.

Those who support the president's contention urge the necessity for prompt action as the ruling consideration and declare that the government-managed ideal is not the best but is the only feasible plan if we are to take full advantage of our industrial opportunities at the present time. The one main deduction to be derived from the wide discussion is that private interests have not been conspicuous either for patriotism or good business up to the present, with regard to our foreign shipping. If things are as represented. Everybody agrees that "something" should be done, but, what is the best "something" to do?

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A CHRISTMAS TRUCE

This Christmas, in a great part of the Christian world, instead of the Christmas bells that from hill to hill answer each other through the mist, shot and shell will thunder out a terrible threnody and brother will fly at the throat of brother at the command of practical generals. Nothing could be further from ideal Christianity than the conditions in Europe, and in all probability to day of all days will rise in a red dawn and die out in a bloody sunset. The angels may come down again on the hills of Judea to chant their "Gloria in excelsis" but their "Peace on earth" will be drowned out in the cannonade of the rival armies. If Pope Benedict XV had his way, all the nations would have agreed to a truce over Christmas but his plans were defeated by the opposition of a "certain power," which, according to Germany, is Russia. It seems too bad, in a sentimental sense that the truce was not agreed on, as it might have proved the preliminary for permanent peace. If the truce were to be merely a halt in the fighting, it would not prove of much permanent advantage, though it would be another acceptable offering at the crib of Bethlehem.

GRADE CROSSING AGAIN

Lowell people of an older generation were shocked a few days ago to read that Rev. Charles L. Merriam, a minister who was known favorably in this city, was killed in an automobile accident at Hackensack, N. J., last Thursday night, returning from a wedding at which he had officiated. The details of the accident score another point against unprotected railroad crossings and, like all such occurrences, give us of Lowell something that we ought to ponder on for a little while. The clerical party which met with such a sad calamity was, it is to be presumed, exercising more care than the ordinary automobile party, but the crossing was such that trains could not be seen until the tracks were reached. The engineer of the train said that the whistle was blown several times but it was not apparently heard by any of the occupants of the car, being drowned out by the noise of the auto's engine. Taken all in all, such accidents prove that the only way to safeguard the public adequately is to do away with the crossings. It is a costly requirement but the loss from accidents is far greater in the long run both to the railroads and to the public.

THE SHEDD ICE PARK

The annual flooding of Shedd park for the purpose of transforming it into a skating rink is something that brings gladness to the parents of the city as well as to the children. Already it has been the means of saving many lives and as time goes on it will be a still greater boon. It now remains for all who have charge of the children of the city to prevent their skating on any other body of water, if possible, as Shedd park is the only really safe place for juveniles who want to enjoy the ruling sport of the season. Many grown ups who have foresworn skating delights take pleasure annually in the sight of the hundreds who skim over the Shedd park surface, finding health and happiness in airy motion.

Sometimes, dearest, the world goes wrong,
For God gives grief with His gift of song.
And poverty, too, but your love is more
To me than riches and golden store;
Beautiful love, until death shall part,
It is mine—as you are—my own sweetheart!

—Frank L. Stanton.

EDITORIAL COMMENT

A REST NEEDED

It is duly moved and seconded that Manchester declare a closed season on municipal partisan politics.

It is time to have one. The long shots have scored or missed, the winners have brought home the prizes, and the lame ducks are limping and muttering to their roosts and explaining that after all it's no killing matter. And the rest of us are settling down with a sigh of relief that it is all over. Elections have come pretty close together recently, and a good many people are surfeited with partisan eloquence.—Manchester Leader.

A CHRISTMAS TRUCE

The pope's suggestion of a cessation of fighting during the Christmas holidays has been approved by Germany. It is a good suggestion. Nothing may come of it; even if all the belligerents agree and hostilities do cease for a few days the only result may be to prolong the war just so much. There is always the chance, however, that once the contestants have stopped fighting, they will have time to consider the folly of ever starting in again, and in that case they would be so much nearer to permanent peace.—New Bedford Standard.

SEA FIGHTS

From the practical viewpoint, the war viewpoint, the destruction of the German high sea fleet is of huge importance. As a sea fight, however, as a thing of spectacular appeal, it shows us how far we have traveled from the old days of the Bon Homme Richard and the Serapis, the Constitution and the Guerriere, the Monitor and the Merrimac. Strategy that resulted in bringing superior ships against inferior was the determining factor. Fighting five miles apart eliminates all of that dramatic appeal which the old-time sea battle possessed.—Worcester Gazette.

LARGE ARMIES

When they tell the strength of the military nations—so many hundred thousand soldiers, and so many battleships—it might be thought that any two of them might be set in the ring together; and then the fighter with the fewer ships and the fewer thousands of soldiers would get knocked out.

It is not so simple as that. The biggest fleet, like the British has the biggest task to perform. The strongest army, like the Germans, has the biggest enemies to meet. Each has its tasks. Each of them is more or less completely tied to its task. Not one of them could send the greater part of its fighting strength to a great distance from the defence work to which it is assigned.—Lewiston Sun.

THE COST OF DIPLOMACY

On his return from the post of ambassador to France, Myron T. Herrick not only declines to discuss the incipient presidential boom started in his behalf, but he tells his interviewers he must settle down and earn some money toward replacing the $400,000 his duties in Paris have cost him. It appears that besides rendering valuable services in the crisis of the year, Mr. Herrick has devoted a generous sum from his private means to his work for the government that now recalls him to make room for a political appointee. Such is the gratitude of republics—and the expense of ambassadorships.—Brockton Times.

CARD OF THANKS

The undersigned wish to express sincere thanks to those who by any act of kindness or word of consolation helped to lighten the burden of our sorrow in our recent sudden bereavement in the death of our loving son and brother, William Nagle. Especially do we wish to mention the employes of the Stirling mills and the U. S. Cartridge Co. For the many beautiful floral and spiritual offerings tendered we are especially grateful. All will ever be held in remembrance by

Mrs. Abbie Nagle and Family.

RELIC OF WITCH DAYS

SALEM, Dec. 14.—A more than symbolic reminder of one of the historic things which have gone to make this city famous all over the civilized world reposes prominently in a glass-topped case in the office of the clerk of courts of Essex county in the Salem court building.

The historic episode, of course, was that which has given this city its nickname of the Witch city—the witchcraft superstition which flourished in the early days of the town. And the reminder is nothing other than the actual transcript of some records of a famous Salem witchcraft case, with exhibits which go with it.

The most striking thing in the exhibit is a huge, well-worn and time-seasoned book containing, in ancient-looking handwriting, some interesting relics of old witch days. On one page is the death warrant of Bridget Bishop, the first person executed in Salem on a witchcraft charge, and its perusal is an illuminating commentary on the judicial methods of the day. On the opposite page is a transcript of the direct examination of Rebekah Nurse, one of those who evidently gave some of the principal testimony in the famous case.

The latter is in the handwriting of Rev. Samuel Paris, who, as the commentary on the case tells was "among the most active in the delusion." It was in this reverend gentleman's house that the strange doings are said to have originated.

In another part of the exhibit are shown a number of time-worn looking pins, which are described as having been produced in court as evidence in the case. It is explained that the accusing girls were to testify during the trial of the case that their flesh was pricked with these instruments of alleged torture, which have a somewhat wicked look.

Last but not perhaps least interesting reposes the county seal used on the warrants for arrest in those days. It has a monogram spelling "Essex," and it dates back to 1687.

SEEN AND HEARD

Noah Boozer is a great temperance lecturer in Illinois.

The man with horse sense keeps a bridle on his temper.

After sizing up the jewelry worn by most of the princesses a fellow wonders where all the stained glass factories are located.

MARSHALL AND MAYOR

Mayor Barry of Nashua wishes to know why Congressman-elect Wason did not bring Vice President Marshall to call upon the chief executive of the city during his recent visit there:

Mr. Wason says in reply that when he and the vice president passed the city hall they looked up at the mayor's office and not seeing him in the window concluded he was not at home. And if the mayor does not like that explanation we presume he can frame up one for himself.—The Concord Monitor.

WHO KNOWS?

In the ordinary news of the day is found the following:

The schooner Gaviota reported that 120 miles south of Valparaiso she found a portion of the body of a British sailor floating on a lifebuoy from an English warship.

The battle, a sinking ship, a plunge into the stormy depths, and then, by the mercy of God, a lifebuoy! Long hours days and nights, waiting for a sail, exhaustion and a shark! Who knows?—Philadelphia Ledger.

A FAIR SAMPLE

Looking over The Sun I came across the announcement of "The One-Man Quartet," a musical act now playing at the Opera House, and the "ad" recalled an amusing incident that occurred at city hall a few years ago, and which has never been published. It seems that a certain high city official and a leading citizen were making arrangements for a monster banquet that was to be given at the armory and at this particular meeting assignments of speakers and prominent citizens at the head table were being made. They had about finished their work when suddenly the leading citizen said: "Hold on, one minute. We must provide seats for the quartet at the head table." "That's so, I never thought of them," replied the city official. "Let's see: how many men are there in that quartet?"

PERILS OF A REPORTER

Men not accustomed to being interviewed for the press are very likely, when they vary from custom, to say more than they had intended, and to say it differently. If such men occupy high positions and their printed remarks produce unexpected embarrassments it is an old and modern practice to repudiate the review and discredit the reporter. This is one of the perils of an interviewer.

The British war office has denied the accuracy of an interview with Lord Kitchener obtained by an American journalist.—Philadelphia Telegraph.

THE BYPLAY MINSTRELS

"Mister Interlocutor, can you tell me why next Monday is like a baby that can't hold up its head?"

"No, Mr. Bones, I cannot. Will you tell us why?"

"Because it's neck's weak."

"Very good, Mr. Bones. How did you like that joke, Mr. Tambo?"

"I didn't like it, Mister Interlocutor. I heard that joke about a week back."

"After the gentlemanly ushers have removed the dead and injured, Signor O. Chokelmoff will render that pathetic ballad: 'We've Named the Baby Rosie After Dear Old Grandpa's Nose.'"

WHAT HE WANTED

The Boston man entered the Boston hardware store while the clerk was chatting with a drummer from the middle west.

"What can I do for you?" asked the clerk as he walked over to meet the customer.

"Sir," replied the Boston man, "I desire to purchase a device in which, by means of a pedal attachment, a fulcrumed lever converts a vertical reciprocating motion into a circular movement. The device contains a huge disc that revolves in a vertical plane, and power is applied through the axles of the disc, and work is done on the periphery, and steel, by mere impact, may be reduced to any desired shape."

"Yes sir," replied the clerk. "I will send the device to your address."

"What in Sam Hill did that fellow want?" asked the drummer.

"A grindstone," replied the clerk.

AN ABANDONED CITY

The land office has the once promising metropolis of Springdale, Nevada, on its hands. Years ago Springdale was laid out, and sprang into being. It seems to have flourished for a time, on the crest of a mining boom, though probably the prospect of the alluring blue prints did not fully materialize. At any rate, Springdale has now expired. It is abandoned.

One of the leading citizens is reported to have made a homestead and desert entry under the public land laws all over the boulevards and avenues where choice city lots were formerly sold.

It may be gathered from this example that the fate of an abandoned city is to become agricultural, mining or forest land. And back to the farm it may be again abandoned.—Providence Journal.

ANIMOSITIES DIE, TOO

Looking forward with confidence to the ultimate triumph of the allies, the "London Spectator" comes out emphatically in favor of letting Russia have Constantinople without a protest, but with a blessing. The paper well says that "Russia is by far the greatest of the Black Sea powers, and she ought to be given the key to her own back door."

That puts the question of the outlet of the Black Sea as neatly and logically as it can be put. In the memory of some still living England and Russia were at war over this very question. Just about 100 years ago England and Germany and Austria were at war with France.

The animosities die more slowly but as surely as the soldiers who are their victims.—Hartford Courant.

CONSTANCY

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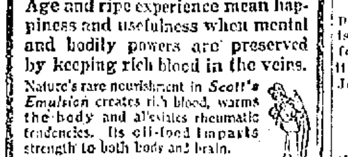
To know you are faithful and love me still;
To feel when the sunshine has left the skies,
That the light is shining in your dear eyes;
Beautiful eyes, more dear to me
Than all the wealth of the world could be.

It is something, dearest, to feel you near,
When life with its sorrows seems hard to bear;
To feel, when I falter, the clasp divine
Of your tender and trusting hand in mine;
Beautiful hand, more dear to me
Than the tenderest thing on earth could be.



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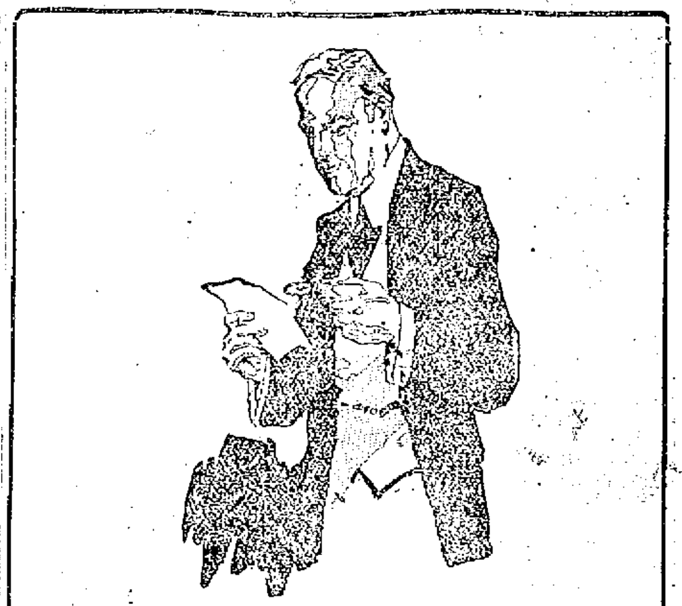

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PRESENTED TO SOCIETY

DELIGHTFUL EVENT HELD IN HONOR OF MISS ELIZABETH TALBOT OF NORTH BILLERICA

At a tea given by Mr. and Mrs. Joseph F. Talbot in Thomas Talbot Memorial hall Saturday evening, their daughter, Miss Elizabeth Bradford Talbot, was formally introduced to society. The hall was tastefully decorated for the occasion and presented a very attractive appearance. Following the tea dancing was enjoyed to music furnished by a Boston orchestra. Miss Talbot received numerous floral offerings in honor of the event. The following young women assisted at the tea tables: Misses Eugenia Meigs, Helen Nesmith, Katherine Tucke, Gertrude Parker, Elizabeth Eastman, Leslie Hylan and Meta Jefferson of Lowell; Miss Harriet Taylor of Haverhill, Miss Marion Hudson of Concord and Miss Virginia Parker of Newton.

PATROLMAN GILLIS' CASE

That an injury he received while arresting an offender some time ago caused him to lose sleep, and strength was the defense offered by Patrolman Gillis at a private hearing given before a trial board consisting of Deputy Downey and Sergeants McCluskey and Giroux. Patrolman Gillis was charged with violation of Rule 19, and he was represented at the hearing by Lawyer Haven C. Hill.

The witnesses for the complainant were Captain Atkinson, Lieut. Freeman and Sergeant Ryan. It is said that their testimony was to the effect that the policeman acted strangely when he came from his beat early Thursday morning. When questioned by the superior officers, it is claimed, he refused to make any reply. The three superior officers said that he was intoxicated.

Patrolman Gillis, who has been connected with the police department for nine years, denied that he was drunk and said that he was suffering from an injury sustained while on duty as a police officer.

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Effect of Recent Currency Legislation Highly Beneficial to Business in General

Secretary J. H. Tregoe, of the National Association of Credit Men, in his December letter to officers of affiliated associations, has some very encouraging statements in reference to the effect of the new currency legislation upon business in general:

The business world has few great historical days that it is glad to recall, but last month the corner stone of a vast business institution was laid, which is destined to exert an influence on national and international credits, second to none in the world. If through the Federal Reserve bank, governmental officers and bankers and business men unite unselfishly, patriotically, conservatively, broad-mindedly, placing the interest of the country as a whole first and not a section of it, this institution, possessed of universal confidence, will make Nov. 16th a day ever to be remembered gratefully.

On that day a half century old system began to be supplanted by one more nearly meeting modern demands; a system came into being which for the first time in our commercial life gave paper arising through trade transactions, a recognized place as a national asset, and thus made it possible for our banking credits to expand and contract with the legitimate increasing or demanding demands of manufacture and trade.

No one thinks that the federal reserve system is based upon a perfectly drafted law. Its workings must be studied closely by business men and bankers, and the National Association of Credit Men intends, through its banking and currency committee, to study the law carefully and bring the association's influence to bear from time to time, to improve it as occasion clearly demands.

The significant thing from the association standpoint is that banks, members of the federal system, must now do organized credit department work. A quarter of a century ago even reserve city banks did not have organized credit departments, paper being passed upon in directors' meetings, largely upon the reputation of the makers. In the larger cities this condition has been changed in the last few years, but except in the larger cities it has not been customary for commercial banks to have organized credit departments, and the directors' meeting has continued to be the place where credits were made.

Federal Trade Commission

On Sept. 26, 1914, President Wilson placed his signature on the federal trade commission act, whose purpose is to prevent persons, partnerships and corporations (except banks and common carriers subject to the acts to regulate commerce) from using unfair methods of competition, and in general to regulate interstate business as carried on by persons, partnerships and corporations.

The five members of the commission, whose appointment is by the president, are given large powers of investigation and control so that we have had enacted, without noise and with comparatively little discussion among business men, a piece of legislation for the regulation of commerce such that a body of five men will have resting upon them responsibilities and powers upon the wise and fair exercise of which the advancement of our commerce to a large extent depends.

Unrestrained cancellation of orders imposes great hardship, particularly in some lines, and must be met by an enunciation of principles which all will clearly understand and relate to their own interests. A rule of refusing to accept a cancellation, unless upon mutual agreement, would be received by buyers at first with great remonstrance; but such rule promulgated and enforced would make buyers more cautious and give greater respect for contracts,—a result greatly to be desired.

The Business Situation

There is unquestionably a steadily improving feeling in manufacture and trade. In most lines the improvement has taken form in increased inquiries and in many in distinctly better orders. Best grounds for satisfaction are found in noting the signs of improvement in the iron and steel trade where the steady decline in orders and interest seems finally to have given way to better buying. Complaints regarding collections continue to be general, but with better industrial conditions it is fair to expect they will gradually recover normal. The main factor in the situation is that confidence, so badly shattered two months ago is now well restored, and though we can not look for early resumption of normal business in all lines, the demand for staples is assuming big proportions and this tendency will extend itself to other lines.

The Abuse of Sales Terms

The new discount card is prepared in response to many urgent requests for a concise, direct demand on the part of the association that the abuse of trade terms, and particularly of the cash discount, shall stop. We would like to see every member take part in the great educational campaign of which the card is intended to feature. The price of the card is $1.50 per 500 and $2.50 per 1000, carriage collect.

Foreign Credits Bureau

The proposed establishment of an interchange bureau for foreign credits has already received the approval of those members of our Boston association selling goods in foreign countries, especially in South and Central America, to whom the matter has been presented. Every credit man realizes how difficult it is to get reliable credit information upon merchants thus located.

With proper cooperation on the part of local members, national members, and members of affiliated associations, it is believed that such a bureau could be conducted with protection and profit to all members, materially assisting in developing foreign trade, and eventually becoming one of the important departments of the national association.

BUSY AT STATE HOUSE

Session of Great and General Court to Open in Three Weeks —Rush of Proposed Laws

BOSTON, Dec. 14.—The state house is bustling with preparations for the coming session of the great and general court, which will begin its labors for the year in just a little over three weeks from now. Under the constitution it will meet for organization Jan. 6.

The Massachusetts great and general court is called the legislature or the assembly in other states. Its members were elected to the two branches, house and senate, at the last state election.

Calvin Coolidge again is to be president of the senate. The house will have a new speaker to succeed Speaker Cushing, now Lieutenant-Governor. It will be Representative Channing H. Cox of Boston.

The job confronting Mr. Cox will be an interesting one. He will have a house much more republican than for a number of years, and will probably have a body considerably more friendly than the last two houses were to Gov. Cushing. The famous Cushing-Comsmsney controversy which has been the feature for several legislatures is to be eliminated from this legislature. But the ward 8 leader will be a member of this house, as in previous years, and his influence in a stronger republican body will be striking, because he knows well how to appeal to republicans as well as to democrats.

Governor Walsh has already outlined what promises to be one of the biggest legislative features of the session. It is the suggestion of His Excellency that there be some officer or board vested with the power to suspend the drastic labor laws of the state so that Massachusetts manufacturers may have an opportunity to take full advantage of the European crisis.

This suggestion is already receiving strong opposition from the labor leaders who express the fear that it may lead to the breaking down of the child labor act, the overtime act, the 54-hour act and other acts.

Henry Sterling and Arthur Ruddell, who were present when the governor explained his views before the state board of labor and industries, voiced their opposition. They say that the labor bodies will take official action against the law.

There is another interesting law which will be brought forward. This was urged during the election by Charles L. Burrill, the new state treasurer. It is to change the constitution so that the state officials under Lieut.-Governor may be appointed by the governor, instead of being elected each year as they now are.

The woman suffrage amendment is another feature that comes up automatically this year. It also is a constitutional amendment. It went through the legislature last year without much opposition. If it goes through again by a majority of the senate and a two-thirds majority of the house it will go before the people at the state election next fall.

The women are watchfully regarding the legislature, and the first show of resistance against the amendment will precipitate a real battle.

LOVE AT FIRST SIGHT

MARLBORO, Dec. 14.—Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Seymour arrived here Saturday night. They were passengers on the steamer Canopic, and came from Italy, where they were married Sept. 1. Mr. Seymour went to Italy eight months ago on a visit. He met Miss Rose Matto of Campobasso, and it was a case of love at first sight. They were married in Campobasso.

Mr. Seymour wanted to get home three months ago, but found the European war blocking the way. Although he was born in this country, the Italian authorities had him examined for army service. His family say that the marriage in Italy made him amenable to Italian law.

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SUEZ CANAL IN THE WAY

Interesting Account of the Great Waterway Connecting Red Sea and the Mediterranean

WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 14.—That the Suez canal, figuring so prominently in the military operations to which Turkey is a party, is not the first canal that joined the Red Sea with the Mediterranean, is briefly told in a statement prepared for the press today by the National Geographic society:

"From the morning history, the west has sought to break into the east by way of Suez. Somewhere during the years 1350-1300 B. C., the Egyptians, under Seti I and Rameses II, joined the Nile by way of Lake Timsah to the Red Sea, thus opening a waterway, the archetype of the present canal, from the Mediterranean, over the Suez isthmus, to the Orient. This canal was choked by sand in the course of ages. Necho, about 600 B. C., began a canal from ancient Bubastis, and Darius Hystaspis, one hundred years later, completed the work, once more bringing the Red Sea and Nile together. Although nearly choked up by the beginning of the Christian era, it was navigable to a degree as late as the Battle of Actium, and some of Cleopatra's ships escaped this way to the Red Sea.

"Trajan restored the canal. It fell into disuse and choked up again. Amru, the Islamic conqueror of Egypt, restored it for the last time in the 7th century, connecting Cairo with the Red Sea. Napoleon caused the old route to be surveyed, but was forced to drop the project. After him, Metternich, the great reactionary prime minister of Austria-Hungary, stimulated a Suez commission in 1847. Nothing, however, came of it.

"As the world well knows, the Suez canal was built by the man who failed to build the Panama canal—Count Ferdinand de Lesseps. Its original depth was 26½ feet, and its bottom width 72 feet. It could accommodate ships of 24 7-12 feet, but it was in operation 11 years, beginning in 1869, before vessels of such draft sought passage. By 1890 its depth had been increased 29½ feet, and when the United States announced its intention to make a canal 41 feet deep and 300 feet wide at its narrowest bottom point, at Panama, the work at Suez was extended so as ultimately to give a bottom width of 1341½ feet and a depth of 36 1-12 feet. It was expected that this enlargement would be complete by next year, but the war has interrupted operations.

"How much larger than the average demands for a canal the Panama waterway has been made is strikingly shown by a statement from Suez to the effect that only one per cent of the ships seeking passage by that route have a draft of 28 feet.

"In 1869, ten vessels passed through the Suez canal. In 1912, 5375 ships steamed through, of 20,275,120 net tonnage, and paying for this privilege around $25,000,000. Seven out of every ten of these ships flew the British flag. England has dominated the canal ever since the khedive, in 1875, sold his 176,602 canal shares for $20,000,000, to the British government. These shares are now worth close to $200,000,000.

TROLLEY CARS COLLIDE

THREE INJURED IN COLLISION AT CAMBRIDGE—WOMEN TAKEN TO HOSPITAL AND LATER SENT HOME

BOSTON, Dec. 14.—An inwardbound Harvard-square-Dudley street car and an outwardbound Waltham car were in collision at the corner of Massachusetts avenue and Brookline street, Cambridge, last night at 7.30, resulting in injuries to three women passengers. A number of other women fainted. The front vestibule of the Dudley street car was smashed, and four windows on the Waltham car were broken. Traffic was held up for half an hour, and was finally diverted on the inward line to Pearl street, pending the removal of the wrecked cars.

The injured women were taken in the Cambridge police ambulance to the Cambridge Relief hospital. They are: Miss Mary Hennessey, 164 Webster ave., Cambridge; Miss May T. Mahoney, 1298 Commonwealth ave., Allston; Miss Esther Archer, Tremont street, Newton. They were able to go to their homes last night.

Miss Josephine MacInnis, 219 Fisher ave., Brookline; Miss Anna McInnis, 2 Butler st., Dorchester and Miss Anna Chaisson, 25 Common street, Belmont, were overcome in the excitement, and were given treatment at a drug store.

The accident happened on the curve at Brookline street. The Waltham car had made a detour from the avenue to Pearl, Green and Brookline streets, and was swinging to Massachusetts avenue when the Dudley street car crashed into it. The Waltham car was without passengers.

The force of the collision lifted the big Waltham car and tilted it but it finally righted itself, although moved from the tracks.

FUR BEARING ANIMALS

WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 14.—Up to the present time experiments in breeding fur bearers have been carried on only with minks and martens. At two stations—Pritchard, Idaho, and the National Zoological Park—minks have bred, and the healthy condition of the young animals promises success. The stock of martens was secured too late for the animals to breed this season. In the coming year it is intended to add raccoons, skunks, and possibly foxes to the list of animals to be included in these experiments.

During the spring an assistant visited New Brunswick, Prince Edward Island, and other portions of the eastern British provinces and New England for the purpose of studying the methods in vogue in the region for rearing foxes and other fur bearers. Data on improved methods of raising foxes will soon be published, to bring up to date preliminary information furnished in 1908 in Farmers' Bulletin 328, Silver Fox Farming.

Moleskins have been extensively used in this country during the last few years in making fur garments, and practically all of the supply has been imported from Europe. In the belief that the common mole of eastern United States produces fur of equal value, skins were submitted to professional furriers, who stated that the quality is superior to the foreign product. A report on the economic status of the eastern species was published during the year. The mole inhabiting the northwestern coast is larger than the common eastern species, and a number of these have been collected in order to obtain a report on the quality of the pelt. If the texture of the fur proves to be as good as that of the eastern animal, there is no reason why trappers should not secure a good income by capturing these animals, as the area they inhabit is extensive. In many localities an acre of ground supports as many as a hundred individuals. If this little animal can be profitably trapped for its fur the problem of freeing agricultural areas from it will practically be solved.

Investigations into the economic value of North American skunks resulted in the publication of a Farmers' Bulletin on the subject. It has been found that this animal is one of the most useful of native mammals and a most efficient help to the farmer and the orchardist in their warfare against insect and rodent pests. As a source of fur it is also a commercial asset, the skins netting trappers about $3,000,000 annually. As the skunk is valuable in its activities as well as for its fur, experiments in breeding the animals in captivity are recommended. (Extract from Annual Report of the Bureau of Biological Survey, U. S. Department of Agriculture.)

Mr. and Mrs. Alexandre Gionet, of Shirley were yesterday the guests of the former's brother, Aime Gionet, of Spalding street.

BREAKS OUT OF JAIL

TWO MEN FREE ARTHUR FELTEIN FROM CELL IN THE WEBSTER LOCKUP

WEBSTER, Dec. 14.—The Webster lock-up was broken open last night and Arthur Feltein was let out. Feltein was arrested Saturday night, charged with breaking and entering the Larcher & Branch store last winter. About 8 last night two young men went to the police station and asked if they could see Feltein, saying that they wanted to bail him out.

The officer told them to see the clerk of the courts. One of the men, when leaving the building, was heard to say: "Never mind; we'll show them a trick." The policeman then went out on the street and was only a few hundred feet from the jail at the time the break took place.

Two firemen who were in the building heard a noise from the direction of the lockup and ran out to see what the trouble was. Just as they reached the door Feltein was going out and a man was attempting to open the door of another cell.

The firemen immediately went for officers, but arrived too late to capture any of the men. The outside door of the lockup was kicked or pushed in and the lock with which it was fastened was torn off and could not be found. Just inside the door is a row of small closets in which a key to the cells was kept. A signboard torn from a lawn a short distance away was used to break open this box and with the securing of this key it was an easy matter to give the man his freedom.

All corners of the police station were searched to find the key to the cell, but no trace of it was found. Chief of Police Clare was notified and the patrolmen were instructed to keep a sharp lookout for the men suspected.

The escape of Feltein last night brings the total to eight in two years, only Saturday a man calmly walking out of the courtroom after being sentenced to serve three months in the house of correction. The man who escaped Saturday was captured later and it was his cell that the three were attempting to open last night when discovered.

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CATHOLIC CHURCH NEWS

Retreats in Honor of Feast of Immaculate Conception Closed —Solemnity of Feast Observed

In all the Catholic churches yesterday, the solemnity of the feast of the Immaculate Conception was observed in a special manner. In several of the churches retreats had been conducted in honor of the feast, closing yesterday with impressive services.

Immaculate Conception

The solemnity of the feast of the Immaculate Conception was observed yesterday morning in the Immaculate Conception church by the celebration of solemn high mass and devotions, special to the day. The celebrant of the mass was Rev. Owen P. McQuaid, O. M. I., assisted by Rev. John M. O'Brian, O. M. I., as deacon and Rev. James J. McCartin, O. M. I., as subdeacon. The sermon was preached by Rev. Fr. O'Connor, O. P., who dwelt on the subject of the feast, the "Immaculate Conception," and on the glory of ideal womanhood. There was a special musical program and the altar of the Blessed Virgin was beautifully decorated with flowers and lights. Owing to the closing of the mission, there was an unusually large number of communicants at the early morning masses.

The church was crowded to capacity last evening by the large number of women who attended the official closing of the mission. Services consisted of congregational singing of hymns, recitation of the rosary, papal benediction, sermon and solemn benediction of the blessed sacrament. The closing sermon was preached by Rev. Fr. O'Connor, O. P. It was an eloquent plea to the women of the parish to persevere in the good work so well begun, thus making the mission a source of permanent grace. The scene was very solemn as the hundreds of women with bowed heads awaited the papal benediction at the close of the sermon. Throughout the entire service, all of the clergy of the parish were present within the sanctuary.

A special feature of the feast, which brought the devotions to a close, was a procession round the church, participated in by the clergy, the sanctuary choir and the members of the Immaculate Conception sodality, the Holy Rosary society and the Children of Mary. During the procession special hymns to the Blessed Virgin were sung.

St. Patrick's

The celebrant of the parish mass at St. Patrick's church yesterday morning was Rev. Timothy P. Callahan. The sermon on the gospel of the day was preached by Rev. Joseph A. Curtin. At the 7 o'clock mass the members of the Immaculate Conception sodality received communion in a body, the celebrant of the mass being Rt. Rev. Mgr. William O'Brien, P. R., who was assisted in giving communion by Rev. Joseph A. Curtin. Tomorrow evening a meeting of the members of the Immaculate Conception sodality will be held and the ceremony will close with benediction of the Blessed Sacrament.

Sacred Heart

The very successful retreat for women which started at the Sacred Heart church last Wednesday was brought to a close yesterday evening with a large congregation in attendance. The services consisted of congregational singing, recitation of the rosary, papal benediction, sermon and the benediction of the blessed sacrament. The officiating clergymen at the solemn benediction were Rev. T. Wade Smith, O. M. I., assisted by Rev. Bernard Fletcher, O. M. I., as deacon and Rev. T. Franklin Wood, O. M. I., as subdeacon. An eloquent sermon on "Heaven" was preached by Rev. James T. McDermott, O. M. I.

During the retreat the sermons were given by Oblate fathers from the Immaculate Conception parish and from the Tewksbury novitiate as well as by the priests of the Sacred Heart church. The sermon given at the services on Wednesday evening on "Death and Judgment" was by Rev. James J. McCartin, O. M. I. The instruction Thursday morning was on "Prayer," and was given by Rev. T. Franklin Wood, O. M. I. Thursday evening Rev. Dennis A. Sullivan, O. M. I., preached on "The Struggle of Life," and Friday morning the instructions were on "Contrition," given by Rev. John C. Flynn, O. M. I. Friday night Rev. Robert J. McCoy preached a sermon on "The Mercy of God." Saturday morning the instruction on "Attendance at the Sunday Mass" was given by Rev. James J. Gallagher, O. M. I. He also congratulated the women for the large numbers at the services during the week, particularly at the 5 o'clock mass.

St. Peters

The parish mass at St. Peter's church yesterday morning was celebrated by Rev. W. George Mullin. The sermon on St. John the Baptist was delivered by Rev. Fr. Heffernan.

Holy Name Society

The regularly monthly meeting of the Holy Name society was held in the lower chapel last evening. President Bernard D. Ward recited the rosary and the pastor and spiritual director, Rev. Dr. D. J. Keleher spoke eloquently on the gospel of the day, and he added words of encouragement for the good and welfare of the society. Special music was rendered by the society choir under the direction of John O'Rourke, Miss Lulu Ginty presiding at the organ. There will be a smoke talk in the school hall Friday evening Dec. 18, at 8 o'clock. The speaker will be Charles E. Fay of Boston and a large attendance is expected.

St. Michael's

Rev. Edouard Fox, O. M. I., of Tewksbury was the celebrant at the parish mass at St. Michael's church yesterday, while the sermon was delivered by Rev. Francis J. Mullin. The eight o'clock mass was celebrated by Rev. Dennis J. Murphy and the members of the Immaculate Conception sodality received communion in a body. At 7 o'clock last evening vesper services were held and the service was followed by a reception of new members into the Immaculate Conception, Holy Rosary and the Children of Mary sodalities. Next Sunday the annual election of officers for the Holy Name society will be held.

St. Columba's

Rev. John A. Degan, pastor, was the celebrant at the 11 o'clock mass at St. Columba's church yesterday and he also delivered the sermon. Tuesday evening a meeting of the Women's sodality will be held.

St. Margaret's

Rev. C. J. Galligan was the celebrant of the parish mass of St. Margaret's church yesterday and he also delivered the sermon, taking his text from the gospel of the day. He announced that the members of the Ladies' sodality will hold their regular meeting Tuesday evening.

St. Joseph's

The celebrant of the parish mass at St. Joseph's church yesterday morning was Rev. L. A. Nolin, O. M. I., while the sermon was delivered by Rev. Armand Baron, O. M. I., who spoke on the gospel of the day. At the 7.30 o'clock mass next Sunday the Children of Mary sodality will receive Holy Communion in a body. Friday morning at 9 o'clock the opening of the Forty Hours' devotions will take place with a solemn high mass. The devotions will come to a close on Sunday morning. On Saturday afternoon the various fraternal and religious organizations of the parish will assemble at the church at a scheduled hour, the assignment being as follows: At 12.30, Angel Guardian sodality; 1 o'clock, Children of Mary; 1.30, Cercle d'Youville; 2, Ste. Anne's sodality; 2.30, Notre Dame de Bonsecours; 3, St. Jean Baptiste; 3.30, l'Union St. Joseph; 4, C. M. A. C.; 4.30, Court St. Antoine, C. O. F.; 5, Artisans Canadiens Francais; 5.30, Court St. Paul, C. O. F.; 6, l'Union St. Jean Baptiste d'Amerique; 6.30, Franco-American Foresters; 7, members of the Third Order of St. Francis and Holy Family sodality; 7.30, Notre Dame de Lourdes sodality.

St. Louis' Church

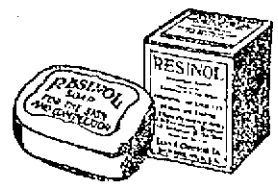
Rev. J. B. Labossiere, pastor of St. Louis' church, gave a very interesting and instructive illustrated lecture last night at the parochial school hall. The clergyman took for his subject, "Rome and the Vatican." The attendance was very large and the speaker was listened to with great interest. Fr. Labossiere is well versed with the subject for in 1907 he visited the vatican.

A musical program was also given, those taking part being Alphonse E. Drouin, Cornellier's orchestra, Donald Hanson, Miss Yvonne Moisan and others. The proceeds of the evening, which were very substantial, will be devoted to the new church fund.

Closing of Retreat

The retreat for the members of the Notre Dame de Lourdes sodality of St. Joseph's parish came to a close yesterday afternoon at 3 o'clock with Rev. Walter Elaisance, O. M. I., D. D., as the officiating clergyman. The members received Holy Communion at the 7.30 o'clock mass in the morning. At the close of the afternoon service a reception into the sodality was held and the following new members were admitted:

Misses Corinne Allard, Rosalba Beaudoin, Diana Bolsvert, Eva Bordeleau, Alma Boulanger, Regina Bruneau, Donalda Chapdelaine, Rosa Clermont, Claudia Cloutier, Edouardina Cote, Yvonne Dafgle, Aida Ducharme, Rose Duchatme, Rose Duschesneau, Elisa Ethier, Marie A. Frechette, Jeannette Gauthier, Rosalie Labrie, Regina Lafleniere, Maria Lemay, Marie A. Lemire, Yvonne Lussier, Irene Matthot, Euretta Marin, Marie D. Ouellette, Yvonne Ouellette, Armelia Paquin, Marie Paquin, Yvonne Paradis, Amanda Parent, Ida Perreault, Philomene Perreault, Rose A. Perreault, Jeannette Pratte, Alida Ratelle, Agnes Rivet, Priscille Savignac, Marie L. Simard, Cecile Tardif, Marie Tellier, Rose A. Therlault, Florida Sylvestre and Rose Lafreniere.



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AMUSEMENT NOTES

OPERA HOUSE

One week under its new policy of big vaudeville and pictures at popular prices would strongly indicate that the Opera House management is soon to make good on its slogan "where everybody goes" for each day has seen an increased attendance over the preceding day and the audiences have not hesitated to express their satisfaction at the quality of the show given. This week's bill will consist of five high class vaudeville acts, five reels of new motion pictures and a feature picture, a photo-play in five reels. Heading the vaudeville bill is the celebrated Fillis family known all over the country for their success in training schools. They will present their educated horses at the Opera House featuring "Mike," the only tango-dancing horse in vaudeville or elsewhere. Hammond and Forrester, a well known team of laugh provokers will be heard in a melange of "new stuff," witty, humorous and laughably ridiculous. McCabe, Lovee and Pond, are a merry trio and they are known as the soubrette, the messenger boy and the swell. They provide a swell act abounding in fun. Lynch and Boyle are a pair of comedy acrobats doing stunts on the sensational order and quite unlike those of the ordinary run of comedy acrobats. They are both comedians and acrobats. The One-Man Quartet does four men's work in the singing line and does it in a most ingenious and tuneful manner. It is certainly a novel act and a winner wherever it goes. The feature picture will be Lubin's great photo-play, entitled: "At the Old Cross Roads," in five reels and a beautiful and romantic story presented by an all-star cast. This bill will run until Thursday when there will be a complete change of program. Each week the program will change with a new show on Thursday and each Sunday will be given a monster entertainment consisting of 10 acts of vaudeville and five reels of pictures. The week day matinees are at 2 and the evening performances at 7.15. The prices are: Matinees 10 and 20 cents. Ladies will be given the best seats in the house for 10 cents at the matinee and special attention will be paid to their comfort. The evening prices are: 10, 15 and 25 cents. Patrons may use either the Gorham or Central street entrances.

B. F. KEITH'S THEATRE

"Since the Days of '61," a highly developed character sketch, will be presented in this city for the first time at the B. F. Keith theatre, today, and twice daily it will be played during the remainder of the week. Foster Ball and Ward West, two very capable actors, have the principal parts in this positively unique offering.

Only at unusual expense has this act been secured. For two years past the vaudeville theatres of New York and Philadelphia have claimed it, and, one engagement of 14 weeks was played at a single Metropolitan theatre. This pretty nearly marks the high tide limit for the playing of a character act. Its great strength lies in the fidelity with which Mr. Ball portrays the character of the veteran of the Civil War. Not in any sense is it a caricature, and yet, in the lighter moments, there is present a decidedly good vein of humor. It is full of human touches which are so readily recognized by everybody, and, after all, that is what gets under the skin of the average theatregoer quicker than anything else. Mr. Ball was a long time in evolving his little act. It required a lot of study to get the concentants mixed in just the right proportion, but when they were mixed there was no doubt as to the success of the venture. The act comes to Lowell direct from the Royal theatre, in New York, where it has just closed a phenomenally successful engagement. In the character of the old soldier Mr. Ball's special feat is the securing of a proper make-up. This causes him a deal of trouble, for he is not an elderly man, and yet the character is that of one over 70 years of age. One will find himself wondering if it is possible for a man 35 years old to so successfully interpret externally a man twice that age.

Luey Gillett, "the lady from Delft," is a juggler, and such a one as visits us but rarely. Miss Gillett brings a lot of real atmosphere to her work, for the setting of the act is that of a quaint interior in the delightful old Dutch town of Delft. Miss Gillett, who is not Dutch, secured practically all of the pieces she juggles so deftly in Holland. The beautiful real Delft ware which is used in the act will be appreciated by those who appreciate its rare coloring. At the opening of the act Miss Gillett is discovered in the role of a housewife, who is attending to her usual routine, but who juggles everything with which she comes in contact. This is an act which combines unusual dexterity with a striking environment being afforded the principal performer.

A discussion of marriage is the particular theme dwelt upon in the musical dialog called "Clubland," which Leon Kimberly and Halsey Mohr will play in. Both men have splendid singing voices. The scene is a room at an exclusive club, and the characters are a benedict and a bachelor. Each sees life through his own viewpoint, the one is a happily married man, and the other as a rather tired, lonesome bachelor. It is all done in music, of a catchy style.

James McCormack and Eleanor Irving will offer their own pretty singing and dancing novelty called "Between Decks." The Turners, in their revolutions on specially built rollers, have a dashing new act, and one which will prove to be far out of the ordinary. The Stanleys are silhouettists, who throw many different figures upon a curtain. In this way they have no superiors on the stage. The Stillings are banjoists who know what popular music can be sure of success, and, as a result, they pluck out many of the old songs. In addition to these acts the very popular Hearst-Selig News Pictorial will present absolutely new motion pictures of foreign and domestic events. Good seats for this show may be secured in advance at the box office. 'Phone 28.

MERRIMACK SQUARE THEATRE

The first in a week's series of presentations of "Under Two Flags" will be given today at the Merrimack Square theatre by the stock company. It will also mark the inaugural of a series of gift photographs of members of the company which are to be distributed every Monday, matinee and night. Today the photo will be of Frances Shannon, the popular leading lady and one will be given to each lady holding a reserved seat ticket at either the afternoon or evening performance. These will all be actual photographs and in the near future an album, suitable for keeping the pictures in will also be given. Another theatrical feature attached to this particular day is that the tickets for Christmas matinee and night will be placed on sale. Don't wait until the last minute—get your tickets today and you'll be able to secure the good seats which are always obtainable at this time.

JEWEL AND COLONIAL THEATRES

The third of a series of photo-plays furnished both these theatres through the World Special Film Corporation service, is the five-act Charles A. Blaney feature, a film story that spans the ocean from America to the Philippines. This is positively one of the most thrilling photo-plays yet shown, and the five reels are replete with beautiful scenery, stirring situations and good acting. The story: Mr. Escott, an easterner, having had reverses, decides to settle in Montana, and takes his wife and baby girl, little Elsie with him. One day, while Elsie wanders off, picking flowers, she returns to find her parents slain by the marauding Indians, and she is later picked up by Joe Lander, a lieutenant in the army, who brings the child to his mother. Years later, Joe takes to mining and Elsie has grown into a beautiful young lady, to whom Joe is devoted. Everywhere is happiness, till a good looking city easterner arrives in town. Elsie is attracted to his smooth ways, and soon falls under his charms. Joe warns her against the stranger, but she indignantly resents his interference. Despairing, Joe enlists for the Spanish war, and soon leaves for the Philippine islands. During that time, events prove that the city man is just what Joe suspected, and he is shown through his right colors. Elsie is heart-broken, but she resolves to find Joe and acknowledge her mistake. So in company with Willie Live, a newspaper reporter, she leaves Montana, and spans the ocean in an effort to overtake her faithful lover. Arriving there, she is implicated in a series of daring adventures, and is the cause of saving Joe's company from complete annihilation by the Filipinos. In the turmoil of battle, Joe sees Elsie, and recognizes her, and a happy reunion takes place. The Filipinos are repulsed when aid, secured through Elsie, arrives, and the good old flag waves over all. The rest of the performances at both these theatres will be made up of five brand new regular releases first time shown in Lowell.

LATEST DESIGNS IN WOMEN'S WEAR

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FEMININE HINTS AND NOVELTIES

WHAT THE FRENCH MAID SAID

MARIE WARNS ABOUT THE HOLIDAY RUSH

"Sh—sh," warned Marie with her finger to her lips, as Marjorie entered the boudoir. "We will go out into the sewing room and talk. Your aunt is asleep, and must not be disturbed."

"I am awfully tired," sighed Marjorie, sinking into the cosy corner and snuggling a pillow under her back. "Auntie is a terrible shopper, and I thought I would never live to tell the story."

"Madame has not yet recovered from her overexertion of yesterday, and really you do not look as rested as usual. Did you sleep well last night?"

"No, not very. My nerves seemed to be all to pieces. I never saw such a crowd in my life, and the stores were so hot."

"That is all the good it does to tell people to shop early," smiled Marie.

"In the first place one should systemize their shopping tours. If you were to make out a list of all the presents you are to give and then start the next morning with a good salt bath, a substantial breakfast, comfortable shoes and low collar you would be able to endure the torture to follow more comfortably."

"Yes, but I began to feel dizzy by two o'clock and I was dressed comfortably," objected Marjorie.

"Ah, but you had not eaten your lunch!" Marie exclaimed knowingly.

"Oh, no, we did not bother about lunch. We kept on shopping until four-thirty, and then we had tea," said Marjorie.

"Well, that explains your headache and fatigue. You ate breakfast at seven o'clock, and your stomache was without nourishment for over nine hours. Of course you would feel dizzy."

"Yes, and not only that but I went to the theatre last night, and oh dear, I feel almost dead." Marjorie turned her back to the whole scene and indulged in a fit of weeping.

"I will get you a nice hot cup of tea, and you shall lie and rest this afternoon," said Marie, going to the 'phone which connected with the kitchen.

"And do remember next time, to come home, and get into your negligee, take your hair down, darken the room, and simply rest and relax. Then when you decide to get up a hot bath and fresh clothing will be refreshing to your addled brain and over-wrought body."

LADY LOOKABOUT

I am filled with what I consider justifiable indignation every time I see freshly made graves despoiled of their flowers, not by vandals as one would naturally suppose when he hears of such an occurrence, but by our local florists. I do not know if the practice is common to all our florists, but enough of them are represented to make me think nearly all are guilty of this desecration. Invariably, within two or three days of a funeral, the grave is robbed of its floral pieces, that the florists who made them up may secure the wire frames on which they were built. These men have been paid once for these wire frames, and I think it is poor business for them to ride a grave of the offerings of love and friendship made to the departed, that they may again use them and again take money for them. It does not pay in any business to be so grasping. It would be an act of much greater thoughtfulness and kindness on the part of the florists to wait until the family of the departed had paid their first visit to the grave, than to plunder it before the flowers had withered. Better still, if they would include in the cost of the piece a charge for the wire frame if they have not really done so, in order that when it passed from their hands it also passed from their possession.

Even the Horses Were Skating

It must have been a heartless man indeed who stopped his horse directly on the car track, the only safe place in the street, last Wednesday morning. It was a fish-man who did it, and every vehicle going his way had to make a dangerous detour to get around him. When his own horse is slipping and sliding all over the street, anybody would think he would show some consideration towards others whose horses were in the same plight, but consideration for anybody under such circumstances is a rare bird.

Use of School Buildings

Year after year, I have heard candidates for school committee holding forth about the thousands and thousands of dollars of public money tied up in fine buildings which are in use only five hours a day. They would open these buildings to the public. For their benefit and for the benefit of their friends I would like to inform them, if indeed they do not already know it that among the measures enacted by the legislature of 1914, is one under Chapter 538 which authorizes the school committees to allow the use of school property for other than school purposes if deemed for the interest of the community. I know they will be glad to hear this, as it opens an opportunity to start something which heretofore has been made to appear almost an impossibility.

Early Christmas Shopping

If volumes were to be written about early Christmas shopping, I do not believe it ever will become the fashion. It is very fine in theory, but it is a different matter in practice. Who can think of Christmas when the air is mild and one's furs seem heavy, and when the store windows are filled with sensible things like warm underwear and thick-soled boots? I know I cannot. I cannot shop for Christmas unless I hear the tinkle of sleighbells in the air, and the crunch of snow under foot, or feel the nip of frost on nose and ears. I want to see icicles and Christmas greens and reds, ribbon candy and canes,—then I know Christmas is near, and even though it be the last day, I can shop with happiness and rest. I can go supperless almost without knowing it, and when I return home, tired, late, cold, hungry, heavy of foot, light of purse, and loaded with half undone parcels, it is with a sort of holy joy wholly unknown to the one who shops early.

The Juvenile Law

The police authorities in enforcing the juvenile law are making a praiseworthy effort to save our young boys and girls, who through inexperience or acting at the suggestion of older and more cunning companions commit crime. The purpose of the law is to consider the youthful offender a delinquent rather than a criminal—that the charge against him may be one of remission of duty rather than besmirch his name and reputation with a police court record. The kindness of the juvenile law is not appreciated. Our boys and girls should be taught that the man or woman with a police court record can never hold a civil service position. Other walks in life also are closed to him, no matter how innocently he may have fallen among evil ways and companions. The juvenile law was framed for the purpose of protecting from this stigma those of tender years, and should not be considered a license to commit crime. It is too bad the law is proving unsatisfactory to the public. It may be due to misunderstanding, but it would seem that the law has been in operation long enough to have overcome all possible misunderstandings. A little more cooperation between all parties concerned—parents, delinquents and authorities, should adjust the difficulty. Let us think long and well before we advocate a change which will operate to the detriment of our children whose keepers we are.

LADY LOOKABOUT.

OF INTEREST TO WOMEN

Philadelphia has two women milkers.

Women retail dealers in New York city number over 7000.

Several women are employed in the Swedish mines.

One-quarter of the 66,000 dressmakers in London are idle.

Despite strong opposition, Miss Anita Grish has been elected superintendent of the poor in Jersey City.

Many women are among the 120 volunteers who are furnishing blood for the wounded soldiers in the Lyons, France, hospital.

New York has a woman watchman, Mrs. Ethel Ryan, who guards the district populated by produce men.

San Francisco is to have a women's hotel managed on the same lines as the Martha Washington hotel in New York city.

Mrs. Florence P. Reesing, New York's only automobile broker, claims that it is no business for a woman to take up as a livelihood.

Mrs. Laura A. Lagatar, clerk of the district court in Pittsburgh, Kan., has been expelled from office because she talked too much.

The National Union of Woman's Suffrage Association of Canada is conducting a campaign for pensions for mothers as a result of the war.

NEW CREATIONS FOR EVENING GOWNS WITH LACE FLOUNCES OVER NARROW FOUNDATION

It would be hard to find a prettier gown than this one for afternoon dances and all occasions of the kind. The lace flounces that are arranged over a narrow foundation are charmingly attractive in effect and the basque of velvet makes a really beautiful contrast. The collar that is high at the back, suggestive of the military idea, yet with open front makes one of the features of the winter. Women on the outlook for a really available handsome costume can not do better than follow this design. There is nothing difficult about it since the flounces are easy to sew on the skirt and the little basque is slightly full at the front so that the fitting means no difficulty. With the lace flounces, the elbow sleeves finished with frills are charming but the long sleeves are fashionable and these can be made in that way, or, if liked, the basque can be used over a skirt of quite different character. Draped skirts continue to be fashionable and accordion plaited skirts are much liked. Either one or the other with the basque would be pretty or, if the lace flounciings are too elaborate for the occasion, the same idea could be carried out in net or in chiffon or in thin silk such as crepe de chine or crepe meteore.

For the medium size, the basque will require 3 yards of material 27, 1 5-8 yards 36 or 44 inches wide, with 1-4 yard 36 inches wide for the chemisette. 1 1-2 yards of lace for the sleeve frills; the skirt 2 5-8 yards 27 or 36 inches wide, with 13 yards of lace 9 inches wide or 5 1-2 yards of material 27, 3 1-2 yards 36, 3 yards 44 inches wide for the flounces.

Draperies are always pretty for evening gowns and are being much used this season. This gown combines a very beautiful silk crepe that is a little heavier than crepe de chine with velvet and is trimmed with lace. The bodice shows the very newest development of the basque idea and the gown is altogether one of the prettiest as well as most fashionable that could be suggested. It takes the most graceful lines and, since the skirt can be made with or without the train, it is adapted to the dance as well as to the opera and to dinner. The little trimming that finishes the neck edge is of tulle but the buttons are exceedingly handsome, being of cut crystal and buttons this season make really important trimmings.

This basque that drapes the figure is an exceedingly becoming one to young girls and to women of girlish figures. It is by no means severe in effect yet it gives the prevailing lines. The frock illustrated shows it combined with a tunic of silk and wool crepe over a skirt of charmeuse satin and the sash is just a straight strip of silk. The crepe that is delightfully soft and pliable is really ideal for the full basque but there are various other materials that provide the same quality and anything that will drape the figure successfully is appropriate. Charmeuse satin could be used over a skirt of broadcloth and with broadcloth trimmings.

There is no handsomer combination of materials than lace and velvet and this season there is none more fashionable. Here is an exceedingly attractive gown, handsome enough and dressy enough for any afternoon occasion, and also suited to the hotel dinner and to the theatre. There is a plain two-piece skirt with two wide tucks over the hips and a graceful blouse with draped chemisette. The skirt is made of charmeuse satin and finished with velvet at the lower edge, while lace flouncing is arranged under the lower tuck. The blouse is very simple but exceedingly effective and especially adapted to lace.

The trimming of skunk fur gives a smart note of character. Black and white is always distinctive, always handsome, just now it is the height of style, but if for any reason color is preferred, brown or sand-colored velvet or something in brighter tone could be used in place of the black, while the fur still remains the same, for skunk is always handsome on lace and harmonizes with every color. Incidentally it might be well to add that this design treated in a more simple way is adapted to every day occasions. If the skirt were made without the lace and without the velvet it would be just the simplest one available and an entire gown of wool or silk crepe would be useful for many occasions.

For the medium size, the blouse will require 4 1-4 yds. of material 27 in. wide; 1 3-4 yds. 36, 1 5-8 yds, 44 in. wide with 2 1-2 yds. of fur banding, 5-8 yd. net for inner portion, 1 yd. of lace for the sleeves; the skirt 5 yds. 27 in. wide; 3 1-2 yds. 36 or 44 with 1 1-8 yds. of flouncing 18 in. deep and 1 yd. 20 in. wide for the band.

Velvet, velveteen and materials of similar weight are extremely fashionable this winter and exceedingly

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WHAT THE COOK SAYS

Cook told me this morning how to properly oil a floor, so I pass it on to you. The floor must be allowed to dry after it is scrubbed. Then mix two parts of linseed oil with one part of turpentine and apply this to every part of the floor with a soft cloth.

Rub the oil into the boards, and then rub them thoroughly with a woolen cloth. If the boards are new they can be treated with linseed oil, boiled and hot, applied with a paint brush.

After the oil has stood on the floor for an hour or so it should be well rubbed with a woolen cloth, until the floor no longer looks sticky and oily.

Before using new granite pans, cook says to grease the inside with butter. This will prevent them from chipping and cracking afterward.

To remove the stains from fireproof dishes which have become brown from baking, soak them in strong borax and water.

To keep pots and pans bright, dip each article in strong lye or soft soap, then scour with common sifted coal ashes.

A thick paste made of soda and water is excellent for cleaning glasses in which milk, ice cream or other greasy substance has been standing, cook tells me.

Even when there is no time to make a paste, if the fingers are dipped in water, then in dry soda, and the greasy part of the glass is rubbed around with them, the marks will quickly disappear and the glass become bright.

Lamp chimneys treated in the same way will shine like crystal, while if a lamp burner is boiled for half an hour in soda water it will cause the lamp to burn with renewed brilliancy.

When it is necessary to boil a cracked egg, cook says to add a little vinegar to the water. This will prevent the white from boiling out.

An egg that has been too lightly boiled may be put into the saucepan again, even after the top has been taken off, if an ordinary pin be dropped into it in a conspicuous place, when it will be found that none of the egg has been lost.

Care should be taken to remove the pin.

If your vegetables or preserves scorch while cooking, advises cook, remove the vessel instantly from the range and set it in a pan of cold water letting it remain there for 10 or 15 minutes. At the end of that time you will find that the scorched taste has all vanished from the food.

When cooking cabbage, turnips or onions, boil at same time some vinegar with few spices. This will destroy all vegetable odor.

When boiling a ham, leave it in the water in which it has been boiled until it is quite cold. This will make it juicy and tender.

To clean the nickel on a range or other stove, cook finds the most satisfactory results obtained by rubbing it with a cloth, moistened in equal parts of turpentine and vinegar, and then polishing with newspaper.

This will cut all grease which so often collects on cooking stoves.

Paint your gas stove with silver enamel paint twice a year, she says. This keeps it in good condition, saves blacking, and you will not soil the daintiest dress around it.

WHAT HORTENSE TOLD ME

Hortense has given me one of the most delightful creams to use on the face. She calls it Orange Blossoms and it surely is as wonderful as its name. It will soften and whiten the face, and is also good for massaging. It is not as greasy as most creams. You can prepare it as follows:

Spermaceti, six drams; oil of sweet almonds, four ounces; white wax, six drams; glycerin, one and one-half ounces; borax, two drams; orange flower water, two ounces; oil of petitgrain, fifteen drops; oil of neroli, fifteen drops; oil of bigarade (orange skin), fifteen drops.

Warm the spermaceti, wax and almond oil in a double boiler until they become creamy; then add the glycerin to the orange flower water and let the borax dissolve in this. Pour this mixture into the first one, stirring constantly. Just before the cream congeals, pour in the perfumed neroli drop by drop.

Hortense says to keep it clean, the face requires one thorough washing daily with warm water, an agreeable soap and wash cloth or soft flesh brush. This treatment is best given at night. In the morning, then, it is not necessary to use soap on the face. Warm water and then cold will be sufficient to freshen one.

There are many, she says, who cannot use soap. The best thing to do is to use a bran bag instead. When the face is in need of a thorough cleansing, after a trip in the train, for instance, a cold cream bath will remove the dirt and the bran cloth will finish the work in a satisfactory way.

To make a bran bag mix equal quantities of powdered oatmeal and bran together, and to a pint add one-half cup of powdered soap. To this add about one ounce of powdered orris root. Fill small bags and use in the bath.

One of the worst disfigurements that women fall heir to is the growth of superfluous hair on the upper lip. Hortense thinks many and varied are the remedies suggested, but such should be followed with the greatest discrimination and judgment.

An excellent cure, she suggests, as follows: Moisten the superfluous hairs with simple sulfo solution. It will be found that this application will dissolve the hair, and, whether heavy or light, it will disappear in a few moments.

Most depilatories are apt to leave a red spot and an extreme irritation of the skin, but this particular remedy will leave the skin soft, smooth and clear. Its action is gentle and most effective in immediately removing the hair.

The thin girl is popular this winter, but Hortense thinks that even thin girls must be a little plump and not all bones. The first step towards this thin plumpness is to avoid nerves, fretting and irritability. Retire early and remain in bed as long as possible.

Drink no tea or coffee, rather milk, cocoa or chocolate. Take mashed potatoes, with butter, or cream, oatmeal, fresh bread, honey eggs, tapioca; in short, all sugary and oily foods. No meat. Take great care to eat slowly and masticate each morsel thoroughly.

A nap either before or after dinner is beneficial. Exercise must be regular and moderate. Horseback riding, tennis and boating are good. Vocal exercises enlarge the chest. Small doses of cod liver oil should be taken several times a day.

Few people pay the proper amount of attention to their feet. Hortense tells me they require fully as much, if not more, attention than the hands. First and most emphatically bathe them every day. This rule goes without exception. The foot bath should consist of hot water and a few drops of toilet (or even household) ammonia.

Take good care to file down the nails, and push back the cuticle on the toes just as the manicurist does. Otherwise a serious and painful "ingrown toenail" may follow.

If the feet are given to excessive perspiration powder lightly every morning and night with pulverized alum. Callous spots from walking, dancing, etc., may be removed by soaking in hot water and rubbing with pumice-stone.

No one can help feeling so at time in this age of rush and racket, but it is quite possible to put on the brake, as it were, and not let the nerves run away with us. Here are a few wise hints on the subject from Hortense:

If people fret you, it is not necessary to be rude to them. Try, instead, to avoid them. Don't read books that irritate you. Books are plentiful, therefore put away the offending volume and choose another. If a noise at night worries you, don't let it continue to do so. Get up and see to the matter, and put it right.

Don't let yourself get into the habit of being bored. It is not worth while. When you feel it coming on, plunge at once into some task that will take all your time and energy.

It is better to run away from certain things than let them irritate you. Such martyrdom is usually unnecessary, and bad for you all round.

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SOCIAL GOSSIP
FEMININE LORE

handsome, but unquestionably they are a little heavy for the making of blouses. Consequently, this costume which combines velvet with charmeuse satin is exceedingly practical as well as an exceedingly smart one. The skirt is in two pieces, and the back may be left plain or trimmed with circular ruffles. The blouse tells its own story, and is made with regulation sleeves, while the chemisette portion can be either of the same or contrasting material. Here the velvet is black and the charmeuse is white and black and white is much worn, but it would be easier to make the pretty effect by using brown or sand color for the velvet with either a white blouse or one of matching color; or, in place of the charmeuse could be used crepe de chine or crepe meteore, for these materials are pretty and fashionable and in every way adapted to such purposes. If a very handsome effect is wanted, velvet in brown or sand-colored velvet with blouse of faille to match could be used to make a very smart gown, since both the colors and the materials are much exploited.

For the medium size, the blouse will require 3 1-2 yds. of material 27 in. wide, 2 1-2 yds. 36, 2 yds. 44, 5-8 yd. 36 for the vest and collar and cuffs, 00 yds. for banding. For the skirt, 4 1-2 yds. 27 in. wide, 3 3-4 yds. 36 or 44 in. wide, with 1 5-8 yds. of fur banding.

The cape always makes a convenient wrap and this season it is exceedingly smart. Here is a graceful and becoming one that can be made with straight front edges or in cutaway effect and which as shown is made of broadcloth with trimming of fur. Unquestionably broadcloth is a fashionable material and always a pretty one as well as serviceable one but silks are greatly in vogue this season and velvets are and there are many varieties of both to be found. Moire poplin is much liked for wraps, brocaded velvets and brocaded silk are really sumptuous in effect and plain charmeuse satin is beautiful while any of these materials can be interlined to provide sufficient warmth. Among extremely rich and handsome materials are brocaded silks enriched with metal threads but, after all, broadcloth is pretty enough if the color is well chosen. This season plain linings of pretty harmonizing but light colors are liked for fancy materials, but plain materials are enriched by brocaded linings.

The cape will require 4 yds. of material 36 or 44 in. wide, 2 5-8 yds. 52, with 8 yds. of fur banding.

Nothing makes a more interesting feature of the winter than the very great variety of the furs worn. The little chipmunk is the latest addition to the available list and the exceedingly smart suits are trimmed with his skin or with imitation thereof.

Princess slips for wear beneath evening gowns are among the necessities of the complete wardrobe. The new ones are very charming, made of soft crepe de chine with accordion plaited skirts and under bodices that are trimmed with insets of wide lace near the upper straight edges and are held over the shoulders by ribbon bands.

The sudden demand for high collars and chokers of one sort and another has brought about the making of a great many attractive novelties. Now there are to be found pretty little bands of black tulle over white, plaited and finished with bands of velvet ribbon through the center and these bands held in place by means of cut silver knobs.

Pearls are always so exquisite and so particularly beautiful with evening dress that the introduction of cultivated pearls that have much of the beauty of the rarest gems yet of much less cost cannot fail to be of interest. As we all know, the pearl really represents the effort of the bivalve to cast out of its shell a grain of sand which is covered with a solution in the futile attempt. In the eastern waters they are planting beds of these same bi-valves and introducing in the shells tiny little bits of suitable material with the direct intention of forcing the creatures to create pearls to order, so to speak. Since the introduced object is bigger than the grain of sand, the cultivated pearl is a trifle less perfect and is apt to be flat on the under side, but it is wonderfully beautiful nevertheless, and of various sorts at prices that bring it within the reach of modest incomes.

No feature of the new blouses is more interesting than the collars. A pretty model and one which is much liked is made of fine Georgette crepe with the front embroidered by hand. The neck forms just a small V between the blouse and the turned-over collar, the ends of which meet at the front leaving the neck open for a few inches below.

Lace of all kinds is being worn this season, and the lovely Spanish lace is shown in characteristic and really fascinating scarfs. They are carried to the opera, to the theatre and used whenever a scarf of genuine, or slight warmth is needed.

There is a veritable craze for beads just now and a great many beautiful gowns are trimmed with beads applied over a stamped design. The work is very easy to do and is exceedingly effective, so it has much to commend it. Round beads and small bugles, both are used for the purpose and sometimes one color is used throughout and sometimes a combination of colors. Care must be taken not to stamp the material for the beads do not make a continuous line. The best method is to stamp on tissue paper and to paste over the material.

There are also beautiful garnitures offered ready to wear that are really practical. Fascinating coats and even little capes are shown in attractive, and the vari-colored beads that are beautiful and so much used just now, and in fact, beads are so generally exploited just now that they are to be found given over to many uses. Entire unmade robes are offered made of thin nets completely covered with iridescent beads to produce a most brilliant and scintillating effect.

If you want help at home or in your business, try The Sun "Want" column.

OF INTEREST TO WOMEN

Maiwatchin, on the borders of Russia, in Asia, is womanless.

Over 100,000 women in Kentucky are unable to read or write.

Queen Victoria of Spain spends over $40,000 a year for costumes.

Most of the sculpture work at the Panama exposition is being done by women.

Woman suffrage has been indorsed by the New York State Federation of Women's Clubs.

Brazilian women of wealth regard shopping as undignified and send a servant for samples.

There are over 4600 Chinese females and over 9000 Japanese women in the United States.

Fifty per cent of the female workers in the United States are under 21 years of age.

Among the over 4500 applicants for positions in New York city last week there were 573 women.

Unemployment caused by the war increases among women in London at the rate of 1000 a week.

Teachers in the public schools of New York city must be over 45 years of age to marry and continue in their positions.

The bundesrath of Germany has decided to furnish financial and medical assistance to women at the time of childbirth.

Mrs. F. E. Lowrey has sailed for Liberia, where she will take a trip into the wilds of Darkest Africa, taking moving pictures as she goes.

Miss Miriam Van Waters, who is superintendent of the Detention Home in Portland, Ore., has three college degrees.

Miss Margaret Foley is again back in Boston to pursue her work of gaining better legislation for women and children in Massachusetts.

Lady Jellico, wife of the head of the British navy, has established a temporary hall for women in the Hammonsmith road section of London.

Mrs. Charles S. Whitman, wife of the governor-elect in New York, is an ardent suffragist and is doing all she can to assist in its educational propaganda.

The State Grange Patrons of Husbandry will ask the next legislature in New Jersey to appropriate $50,000 to erect and support a state college for women.

Several hundred women of southern birth in Washington have seceded from the Congressional union because they claim that it is an undignified organization.

Mrs. J. H. Blondin, formerly Miss Mae Cochran of New York, has been elected county tax collector in Glen County, Cal., at a salary of $1500 a year.

Since the women of Norway now have equal rights with men they have dissolved the Society for Suffrage of Women, there being no reason for its activities.

Mrs. Arthur M. Dodge, president of the National Association Opposed to Woman Suffrage, claims that only one per cent of the women in the United States are suffragists.

In China the Easter bonnet is unknown and the nearest approach to a hat is the high headdress of the Manchu woman, who must be married in order to boast this adornment.

Mrs. Elizabeth Blaker is now serving as the town crier at Chertsey, England, while her husband, the holder of the post, is at the front. This is the first time that a woman has acted in this capacity.

Young girls have been advised to keep away from Chicago by a woman's organization of that city, which has issued circulars telling of the perils that a girl must contend with in the Windy City.

The Duchess of Marlborough has fortified her London home against Zeppelin attacks by having a stout wire netting stretched across the roof of her house at the height of several feet.

Mrs. Anna T. Steinaurer will probably be Boston's first policewoman as Mayor Curley has declared that he will find a way to appoint her to the police force despite the fact that he has no authority under the law.

Many thousands of women are employed by the British government as telegraphic and telephone operators, both systems now being owned and worked by the government. These women are paid from $6.75 to $10 per week.

The only woman in the United States to wear the cross of the Legion of Honor is Mrs. S. P. R. Dugmore of Great Neck, L. I., who was Mrs. Bramhall Gilbert before her marriage to Captain Dugmore of the British army.

Gov.-elect Whitman of New York will receive a delegation of suffragists, who will advise him as to the nature of the message regarding woman suffrage which he will first give to the legislature.

Mrs. Barbara Schunemann is skipper of the ship that will bring Chicago its supply of Christmas trees this year. Mrs. Schunemann has chartered the schooner Lucky and with her two daughters will bring a cargo of 20,000 trees.

In order that larger contributions can be made for the relief of the suffering both at home and abroad, 34 girls who will make their debut in Baltimore society shortly have agreed to refrain from extravagance in entertainments.

Miss Lillian Scott has been elected president of the Kansas State Teachers association, and it is the first time in 52 years' history of the association that a woman has been so honored. Miss Scott has been head of the department of pedagogy in Baker university since 1894.

SUN FEATURES TUESDAY

Old Timer, Automobile Page, The Workbag, The Sickabed Lady, French Maid, Rabbit's Foot, Sleepytime Tales

The Old Timer will continue to relate the social, political and general events of quarter of a century ago.

Perhaps some fortunate ones will receive automobiles for Christmas presents. Such a gift would be most acceptable, of course. The Sun's automobile page will be published tomorrow and will be of interest to owners, and prospective owners. Read the auto news and the auto ads.

Directions for removing foreign matter from the eyes, for the treatment of a sty, will be found in "The Sickabed Lady" in tomorrow's Sun. This article will also describe methods of obtaining relief from ingrowing toenails, for a sore chest, and will tell how to get rid of warts.

Little useful novelties which may be made either for one's own use or to be given to friends for Christmas are described in "The Lady's Workbag."

There are many ways for the woman of today to remain young, according to the writer of "The Rabbit's Foot," and these will be told in this article tomorrow.

Little readers of The Sun will enjoy "The Man and Dandy," a pleasing sleepytime story which will be printed tomorrow.

How some attractive negligee dainties may be made will be told by "The French Maid" tomorrow.

WINTER COSTUMES—GARMENTS OF GRACE AND SIMPLICITY—NEW MODELS COMING FROM FRANCE

Thanksgiving passed and over the winter seems fairly to have begun, all sorts of holiday thoughts are in the air, and holiday plans are sure to be in process of making. While it is likely that this year will see a little less luxury and a little less extravagance than usual, Christmas promises a gay season and little by little we are getting back to a normal condition and a rational appreciation of matters as they stand. Undoubtedly the holiday trade will do its part toward re-establishing a normal attitude, and in every way there is evidence to be found of that return to confidence which means ultimately good times. In matters sartorial, the great question appears to be from whence will come the new designs? But since we are learning rapidly that we can create for ourselves, that bugbear is being rapidly laid to rest. Among the manufacturers there is indeed evidence of good already growing out of the strain, for they are holding exhibitions and meetings that tend toward harmony and co-operation rather than cut-throat rivalry. Once we reach that stage, we will have taken a big step toward real success. One of the important facts to be remembered in connection with Parisian designs is the absolute integrity with which they are treated and the respect that one designer shows for the other. When we have learned to respect designs, we respect other property, the road to success will have been made a smoother one.

If we need encouragement along the lines of home products the stage stands ready to supply it. A well-known actress, now playing in a successful role, stated in an interview within the last few days that her costumes have been made in this country throughout her entire career, that even when she has gone abroad to produce a play, she has taken her costumes with her, and her statement should stand for a great deal. There is no exponent of fashion more conspicuous today than the stage. If once it is known and realized that actresses are ready to employ home skill, a big battle will have been fought and won. That home talent always has been recognized by the women who travel most, who are most in contrast with the best on the other side, is true and has been true. There are individuals prominent in social life who prefer American evening gowns to any that can be bought abroad, and there are numberless women of great wealth who realize the skill that is to be found within our shores, but they are individuals and influence only an individual circle. The actress reaches the entire public, and her approval consequently is of consummate value. A successful singer now playing important roles on the vaudeville stage wears only American costumes. Within the week she appeared in a long coat of green velvet, trimmed with wonderful mink, that could not be more graceful or more becoming were it heralded by the greatest name known to the Parisian world. It has simple lines, with a straight body portion, and flaring skirt that completely covers the gown. It is opened in the form of a V in the neck, and is finished with a fur collar that meets a deep girdle. It is made with long, plain sleeves that are edged with deep cuffs of fur, and there is a wide mink band around the skirt. The front edges are lapped and buttoned together with their entire length, with buttons covered with velvet. The close-fitting little toque is of mink with a little stick-up of ostrich in the front and on the back. There is grace and there is dignity in every line of the garment and the simplicity is perfectly adapted to the rich and beautiful material.

An evening gown that is worn by the same player, is all of black net with trimming of jet. It consists of a cuirass-like basque, that is cut straight across close under the arms, and that extends below the hip lines. This basque consists of succession of wide tucks or folds, each over-lapping the other, arranged over a foundation of thin pliable silk. Below is a full gathered skirt of fine net, finished with three bands of beautiful jet trimming. The basque is held at the upper edge by straps of jet, and there is a cape of the net that hangs over the shoulder, and over the gown at the back, the point just reaching the uppermost row of trimming. This cape is edged with jet and held by a band of the trimming that passes round the neck and is crossed over the shoulder straps to give a most unusual effect. With the gown are worn black lace stockings, black satin slippers with small rhine stone buckles and a necklace with a diamond pendant, and a bracelet of the same brilliant gems. While it will be seen from the description that the general trend of the season has been followed in both costumes, there is a distinctive note of personality and originality that means real charm. In the sense of terror that seemed to seize upon the world of dress for a short time after the war was declared there existed really more of superstition than of fact. We are getting and will get a fair number of models from abroad, and we will always learn much from what France has to offer, but we also are able to adapt for our own needs. We do not want anything that is distinctively our own.

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PANAMA LAWS IGNORED

Col. George W. Goethals Wants Torpedo Boat Destroyers to Patrol Canal Waters

PANAMA, Dec. 14.—Colonel George W. Goethals, governor of the canal zone, was impelled to suggest to the government at Washington that two swift American torpedo boat destroyers be stationed at the Panama canal, one at each end, by the recent activity of belligerent warships and colliers in the vicinity of the isthmian waterway.

The action of the Australian collier Matlina, which left Balboa without clearance papers, and the fact that this and other colliers have shown a disposition to disregard the canal zone shipping laws, actuated Colonel Goethals to take a decisive measure to preserve in every way the neutrality of the canal.

Nearly all of the colliers which have gathered in canal waters arrived without health certificates, and in several instances the ships sailed without clearance papers. It is presumed that the steamers met and coaled the Australian and English fleet which concentrated recently in the vicinity of the Pearl Islands, which lie 60 miles southeast of Panama city.

The United States torpedo boat destroyers requested by the governor are expected to do patrol duty and promptly to overhaul any belligerent craft attempting to disregard the canal authorities.

Alleged violations of the canal shipping laws have, it is said, been the subject of complaint to Sir Claud C. Mallet, British minister to Panama, and also have resulted in causing orders to the fortifications to prevent unneutral colliers remaining in ports in the canal zone in disregard of the orders of the canal authorities.

In the case of the collier Matlina, it is stated that she arrived without clearance papers or a health certificate and with no coal or supplies. She attempted to buy $5000 worth of supplies, consisting largely of articles intended for a Christmas dinner for a large force. She was refused the supplies and was ordered to depart because she refused to state her destination, as required by the canal zone laws. The collier Protesilaus is pointed to as a similar case.

It is stated that there has been much wireless interference in canal waters on the part of eight colliers, which recently were in the vicinity of the canal, and also by large warship fleets, reported to be within 25 miles of both ends of the canal.

GOETHALS REITERATES REQUEST

WASHINGTON, Dec. 14.—Col. Goethals, governor of the Panama canal zone, today reiterated his request that two torpedo boat destroyers be sent to the canal zone waters to prevent violation of neutrality through the misuse of wireless and taking on of supplies by belligerent vessels.

Because of the confidential nature of Col. Goethal's despatch Secretary Garrison declined to make it public.

He, however, issued this statement:

"The substance of the despatch is that in Col. Goethals' estimation the misuse of radio wireless in canal waters and the prevention of the misuse of these waters as a base of supplies require the presence of swift-moving ships of the variety mentioned. Since the questions involved require the consideration of the state department and the navy department as well as my own I have taken the matter up with the other departments and as soon as the requirements are fully ascertained proper action will be taken to meet them."

Secretary Garrison declined to discuss the situation in the canal zone or to indicate which of the belligerents was violating the neutrality of the United States.

It is known, however, that the Australian collier Matlina which recently left Balboa without clearance papers has been under close observation by Panama canal officials. That ship as well as other colliers have been suspected of supplying British warships in Pacific waters. Alleged violations of canal zone shipping regulations have been the basis of strong representation to the British minister at Panama.

The Lamson, Worden, Terry, Perkins and Walke are in reserve at Charleston, S. C. for emergency service in southern waters.

ALL-STARS WON, 7 TO 0

Defeated Indians in Interesting and Exciting Football Game at Spaulding Park

In one of the most interesting games of football ever played in this city the All Stars, an eleven composed of Textile school, high school and former college players, defeated the Indians, one of the fastest amateur teams in the state, Saturday afternoon at Spaulding park by the score of 7 to 0.

The contest was a very even thing all the way through although the winners had a slight edge on their opponents. It was an exciting struggle between two game teams with the outcome in doubt up to the last moment of play.

The All Stars won the loss and proceeded to score a touchdown by straight line plugging. Tackle and guard plays with Cunney, Lane and Peabody carrying the ball, swept the Indians' defense down to midfield from the All Stars' 20-yard line.

On a tacke dash Cunney broke loose for the longest run of the game and ran the ball down to the Indians' 12-yard line. From that joint the ball was worked over the line, only after the most desperate sort of line buckling, however, for the Indian line held like a stone wall.

With the ball on their opponents' one yard line, the All Stars were hard pressed to score. Twice right guard was plugged by the scholastic players but the ball was only advanced a few inches. On the third down with about two feet to go the ball was finally jammed across the line. Although when the ball was uncovered it still lacked a short distance of the goal line the fact that it had been over the line and pushed back by the dogged Indian defence gave the All Stars their score.

From the edge of the field Jackson Palmer then kicked the most difficult goal that the writer ever saw kicked on any gridiron. The ball, soggy from constant contact with the wet field, struck the crossbar of the goal posts an bounced over for an additional point.

The Indians were outweighed in the rush line but regardless of this fact played their opponents to a standstill at several points in the game. Particularly in the fourth period was this so when, in the last few minutes to play the Indians made a determined attempt to at least tie up the score.

Jackson Palmer was the bright light for the All Stars. The local lawyer appeared nearly as formidable as when he was playing the game several years ago and gave a wonderful exhibition of snapper-back play. Play after play was broken up by Palmer. In fact it was his entree into the game with only five minutes to play and the ball on the All Stars' 13-yard line that probably prevented a score.

Hockmeyer and McGowan at the ends, Cunney, Lane and Peabody in the backfield, played great football. Forward passes and end runs were broken up by these players when their execution would have meant the game.

In the rush line Andrews, Harrington, Cullen, McManiman and Young all did well, while Roane, who replaced Hockmeyer, also played a good game. Although the All Stars had never before played together the experience of the individual players did the trick and earned them a victory.

The team play of the defeated team was far superior to that of the winners. On their end runs and trick plays a cloud of interference always protected the runners and it always required several All Star tacklers to bring down the man with the ball. Jack Toye in particular played a spectacular game in the back, while Mahoney, Cunningham and Quinn shone in the line. The work of the two Indian ends was also conspicuous.

Summed up in a word the game went to the team which possessed the punch when the shadow of their opponents' goal posts was reached. Three times the Indians threatened to score but on each occasion either a fumble or the stubborn defence of the All Stars prevented. It was a great game all the way through and one of the most exciting ever seen in this city.

TIME FOR GENERAL ADVANCE OF ALLIES

LONDON, Dec. 14—The first serious blow inflicted on the Turkish navy since the entrance of the Porte into the war—the torpedoing of the battleship Messudieh by a British submarine in the Dardanelles—gave naval color to today's war news and was in fact the only striking occurrence chronicled by land or by sea.

Little or no change has been reported on the western battlefront and in the east Russia and Germany continue to fight a seemingly endless battle for the control of western Poland.

English and French newspapers unite in declaring that the time is drawing near for the much discussed general advance of the allies through France and Belgium and some unofficial reports say this move is about to be undertaken if it has not actually begun.

Progress necessarily would be inch by inch and even the most optimistic of the British observers, assuming that a general forward movement of the allies is to be essayed concede that it will be spring before any appreciable eastern progress could be made.

The feat of Lieutenant Commander Holbrook in diving with the submarine E 11 under five rows of mines in the Dardanelles and torpedoing the Turkish battleship is described here as perhaps the boldest martial exploit of the war. The submarine presumably was not scratched. She escaped gunfire and the pursuit of torpedoboats in a manner truly remarkable, and it was necessary for her crew to endure the ordeal of remaining under water for nine hours on a stretch. Russian guns have from time to time inflicted some damage on Turkish warships bombarding Russian ports but the disaster reported today rolls the Porte of its first big ship. The loss of life is not estimated in the brief announcement of the episode given out by the British admiralty but if the Messudieh was manned as other Turkish ships have been, then there was a number of German officers on board of her.

POLICE COURT CASES

NON-SUPPORT CASE ENGAGED THE ATTENTION OF JUDGE ENRIGHT—SENTENCES IMPOSED

Thomas F. Lynch came all the way from Windsor, Vt., to get lit up. Unfortunately for Thomas it was not the first time that he picked out Lowell for a little jamboree. And on the previous occasions he had not kept faith with the probation officer when he was given a chance to pay his fines.

"Your Honor," said Lynch, "I really thought my fine was paid as I gave it to my brother to bring down here and he told me later that he paid it. You see it couldn't have been my fault if he didn't deliver the coin."

"You are unfortunate in having such a brother," dryly remarked Judge Enright as he murmured something to Clerk Savage about two months in the Thorndike street enclosure.

Mrs. Margaret M. Lally told a pitiful story of neglect and abuse from her husband who is addicted to the use of liquor.

The defendant broke in with a plea for mercy when his wife had finished her testimony. He admitted that he had not done right by her, but promised to leave Lowell and not bother her again. Judge Enright finally allowed him to go forth under the condition that he would not return here and that twenty-four hours from the time he left the court room he would be beyond the city limits.

Daniel W. Higgins was in court for alleged abuse of his wife. Mrs. Higgins testified.

Judge Enright pondered a few moments and then decided to give her defendant another chance. Daniel W. was allowed a suspended sentence of two months to jail and looked happy.

ELECTION DAY IN BOSTON

16 CANDIDATES CONTEST FOR FIVE ELECTIVE OFFICES.— INTEREST IN LICENSE VOTE

BOSTON, Dec. 14.—Sixteen candidates contested for five elective offices and the supporters and opponents of liquor saloons were active in presenting their final arguments today. Three members of the city council and two school committeemen will be chosen. Twelve candidates seek places in the council and four are in the school board contest. City officials will be elected and the license question decided, tomorrow.

MRS. MILLS FOUND GUILTY

WOMAN ACCUSED OF KILLING MANLEY PLEADS GUILTY OF MANSLAUGHTER

CONCORD, N. H., Dec. 14.—Mrs. Jennie Mills in superior court here today pleaded guilty to the charge of manslaughter in the first degree for the killing of Charles A. Manley in Henniker.

Chief Justice Robert G. Pike and Associate Justice John Kivel presided over the trial and Attorney-General James Tuttle and County Commissioner Solicitor Robert C. Murchie conducted the case for the state. John M. Stark of this city is counsel for Mrs. Mills.

Manley was found dead in bed on the morning of March 8 with his head blown off by a shotgun which lay on the bed beside him. Mrs. Mills, who was his housekeeper, said that he had committed suicide and the grand jury which heard the evidence in April returned no indictment against her. During the summer her young daughter, who is an inmate of the state industrial school at Manchester, confessed to the authorities of what she knew of Manley's death and the result was the arrest and subsequent indictment of Mrs. Mills.

LETTER FROM PRESIDENT

BOSTON, Dec. 14.—Bearing a personal letter from President Wilson to Emperor William to aid him in his search for his wife, lost in Germany since the outbreak of the war, Edward E. Muecke of San Francisco, United States vice consul at Iquique, Chile, sailed for Europe yesterday on the steamer Canopic. Muecke fears his wife is ill and penniless. She went to Germany over a year ago for her health. Since the war broke out, no word has been heard from her.

FOR THE BELGIAN SUFFERERS

All is in readiness for the benefit concert to be conducted for the widows and orphans of the British soldiers under the auspices of the British-American Social club of this city. The affair will be held at Associate hall on Wednesday evening and everything points toward an unqualified success. The program will be as follows: Rev. J. Wynne Jones, Swansea, address; Mrs. Belle Harrington Hall, reading; Bobbie Anderson, Scotch comedian; Miss Flora McLean, dancing; Mrs. Nettie Roberts, Miss Etta Thompson, Master Hiley, vocal selections; Apollo Male quartet, composed of Fred Booth, A. J. Munn, C. H. Howard and Harry Needham, selections.

BODY OF MAN FOUND

FALL RIVER, Dec. 14.—Sunday strollers in the Rehoboth woods yesterday chanced upon the body of Jacob Rush of Providence, R. I., who had been missing for a week. The man was in a sitting posture with his back against a tree trunk. The medical examiner decided that Rush committed suicide by shooting.

DINNER TO BUSINESS MEN

The industrial bureau of the New York, New Haven & Hartford railroad will give a dinner to business men tomorrow noon at the American house in Boston. The topic of discussion during the after dinner speaking will be the "Development of the South American Trade," and notable speakers are listed to address the gathering. Secretary John H. Murphy of the Lowell board of trade will attend and several prominent business men of this city are also expected to be present.

MANY MATCHES

Rolled Saturday Night —Minor League Staged Two Games

Two games were rolled off in the Minor league Saturday night, the J. P. S. bowlers winning from the Braves in easy fashion while the Glendales just nosed out the Mathews. Five pins separated the two latter teams. In the Manufacturers' league the Merrimacks swamped the Plush mill. The totals:

Braves: Regan, 278; Keefe, 276; Howard, 218; Gillis, 245; Carney, 261; totals, 1276.

J. P. S.: McGookin, 276; Mullin, 307; Montgomery, 271; Teague, 274; O'Brien, 306; totals, 1433.

Merrimacks: Armistead, 244; Downey, 264; Sweeney, 282; McNeil, 278; Panton, 257; totals, 1355.

Plush Mill: Mitchell, 292; Kennedy, 245; H. Silcox, 251; Hamilton, 247; W. Silcox, 245; totals, 1270.

Glendales: McDermott, 263; Ryan, 273; Bryant, 254; Healy, 271; Preston, 285; totals, 1346.

Mathews: Bowers, 272; Bowers, 244; Cunningham, 262; Casey, 259; Sheehan, 295; totals, 1332.

ON HIGHER R. R. RATES

LOWELL MEN TO OPPOSE MOVE AT THE HEARING IN BOSTON ON THURSDAY

There will be a hearing before the public service commission in Boston on Thursday at 10 a. m. on the petition of the Boston & Maine and other railroads for permission to increase their passenger rates and to abolish the commutation ticket sales in certain communities. The hearing will be at No. 1 Beacon street. Secretary Murphy of the board of trade and others will attend.

BERLIN OFFICIAL REPORT

CLAIMS ATTACKS BY FRENCH BETWEEN MEUSE AND VOSGES REPULSED

BERLIN, Dec. 14.—An official communication issued today by the German army headquarters says:

"Night attacks by the French on parts of our positions between the river Meuse and the Vosges mountains were easily repulsed, otherwise nothing of importance remains to be reported from the western theatre of war.

"From East Prussia and southern Poland there is nothing to report.

"In northern Poland our operations are taking their normal course."

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Lowell, Monday, December 14, 1914

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SPECIAL—Ready Tomorrow, Tuesday Morning

200 Dozen Ladies' Handkerchiefs AT ABOUT HALF PRICE

This large lot of salesmen's road samples arrived only Saturday, direct from one of the largest importers. It includes All Linen Handkerchiefs, Fine Lawns, Batistes, etc., embroidered and initialed in beautiful, elaborate or neat patterns, all widths of hemstitching. Regular prices 10c to 25c.

ONLY 12½c EACH

ON SALE TUESDAY A. M.

PALMER STREET BASEMENT

C.-C's TRIM VIOLAS

Seeking, like Alexander's army, for new worlds to conquer, the Courier-Citizen bowling team invaded Minor league territory Saturday evening and defeated the Violas of that league by a comfortable margin. From start to finish it was a nip and tuck contest, but when "Charley" Foster of the C.-C.'s turned in a 128 for his second string, the tide of battle turned in the newspapermen's favor. Undaunted, the Violas fought manfully during the final round and cut down the enemy's lead; their efforts, however, being of no avail. Foster's high string was the largest total made on the alleys during the evening, so the Courier-Citizen crew won the $1, besides winning the game for his mates. For the Violas, Jack Graham, with a total of 278, was the leading bowler of the Minor leaguers, while Foster led his team with an aggregate of 288. The totals:

Courier-Citizen: O'Connor, 278; Foster, 288; G. Noonan, 249; Lunn, 276; MacKinnon, 242. Totals, 1333.

Violas: Corbett, 264; Jack Graham, 278; J. Noonan, 254; Coleman, 260; Quinn, 253. Totals, 1309.

YALE'S 1915 SCHEDULE

NEW HAVEN, Conn., Dec. 14.—Yale's 1915 football schedule will be announced some time this week, it was learned last night. It is understood, from semi-official sources, that there will be no changes from last year's schedule, except that Notre Dame will not be invited to play again.

Either the Springfield Y. M. C. A. college, Williams, Amherst or Trinity will be invited to take Notre Dame's place, it is said. University of Pennsylvania and Dartmouth made overtures for places on the schedule, but the Yale management declined.

Commencing next month, and lasting until the close of the academic year, Head Coach Hinkey plans to hold monthly "smokers" for the football candidates, at which there will be blackboard talks on the game.

SALE OF YANKEES EXPECTED

Pres. Johnson Predicts the Deal Over the New York Americans Will Be Settled This Week

NEW YORK, Dec. 14.—Ban B. Johnson, president of the American league, left New York yesterday for Chicago without announcing any conclusion of the deal whereby the transfer of the New York club in his league was expected to be effected.

Mr. Johnson said he would not stop at French Lick Springs, where Col. Jacob Ruppert, the prospective purchaser of the club, is staying temporarily, but he indicated his expectation that the present week was likely to find the sale of the Yankees to the New York brewer either definitely closed or abandoned permanently.

That the prospects of the deal being put through were bright, however, was intimated in other quarters.

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STALLINGS SIGNS CONTRACT

BOSTON, Dec. 14.—George T. Stallings, who led the Boston Nationals to the world's championship this fall will continue as manager of the club for at least five years. He has signed a contract extending four years beyond the coming season, when his previous agreement will expire, according to word received in this city from New York yesterday. Neither Stallings nor President Gaffney would announce the salary terms of the new contract.

CANFIELD'S BODY CREMATED

Simple Funeral Services Conducted for Gambler and Art Connoisseur at New York Yesterday

NEW YORK, Dec. 14.—The body of Richard Canfield, gambler and art connoisseur, who died last Friday from a fracture of the skull, was cremated yesterday at Fresh Pond, L. I. The ashes will be shipped to New Bedford, Mass., today, to be buried there in the Canfield family lot.

Prior to the cremation, simple funeral services were conducted in the Broadway Tabernacle, Broadway and 56th street, Rev. Dr. Wm. A. Kirkwood, the assistant pastor, officiating. Only Canfield's widow, Mrs. Genevieve Canfield; his son and his daughter, Mrs. Grace Hannon, and a few friends attended. All information was refused at the Canfield home, 506 Madison avenue. It was said that the gambler's widow, son and daughter departed late last evening for Providence, where Mrs. Canfield lives.

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MRS. DANIELS, WIFE OF SECRETARY OF NAVY, POPULAR IN WASHINGTON

MRS. JOSEPHUS DANIELS

Mrs. Josephus Daniels, wife of the secretary of the navy, is most popular in Washington, where she has for years been in touch with society, especially the "navy set." Mrs. Daniels' mother, Mrs. Adelaide Worth Bagley, and her two sisters, Miss Belle and Miss Ethel Bagley, have lived in Washington for years. A brother, David Worth Bagley, is an officer in the navy. Mrs. Daniels is a fond mother of a lively squad of boys, all of whom are "just dying" to enter the navy when they grow up.

TODAY'S STOCK MARKET

NEW YORK

Stocks	High	Low	Close
Amal Copper	57⅞	52⅝	56⅞
Am Beet Sugar	30½	29	30¼
Am Can	27¾	26	27½
Am Can pfd	92½	92	92½
Am Car & Fn	46	44	46
Am Cot Oil	40	36	40
Am Hide & L pf	19½	19½	19½
Am Smelt & R	60½	57⅛	60⅝
Am Smelt & R pf	100¾	99⅞	100¾
Am Sugar Rfn	107	107	107
Atchison	95½	93½	95½
Atchison pf	98½	98½	98½
Br Rapid Tran	87	86½	87
Cent Leather	36½	35¼	36
Cent Leather pf	100½	100	100½
Chi & Gt W	11	10	11
Consol Gas	120	119	120
Den & Rio G	5	5	5
Den & Rio G pf	10½	10½	10½
Dis Secur Co	14	14	14
Erie	24	23	23⅞
Erie 1st pf	36¾	36	36¼
Gen Elec	141	140	141
Int Met Com	13½	13	13¼
Int Met Com pf	53⅜	52½	53
Kan City So	23⅜	21	23⅞
Kan & Texas	12	9⅞	12
Lehigh Valley	138	134½	137⅞
Louis & Nash	126	125	126
Mexican Cent	5	5	5
Missouri Pa	11⅛	10½	10½
No. Am Co.	70	69½	70
North Pacific	104¾	101¼	104¼
Ont & West	21½	20½	21¼
Pennsylvania	109½	107¾	109
People's Gas	117½	117¼	117½
Ry St Sp Co	23½	22	22½
Reading	151⅜	148¼	150½
Rep Iron & S	20	18¼	20
Rep I & S pf	77½	75½	77½
Rock Is	1½	1⅜	1½
Rock Is pf	2½	2¼	2⅝
St. L & So'wn pf	37	37	37
St. Paul	92⅞	91¼	91¾
Southern Ry	17	16	16¾
Southern Ry pf	64½	64	64
Tenn Copper	33½	31½	32¾
Third Ave	38	37	38
U S Rub	56½	54¾	56½
U S Rub pf	102⅝	101	102⅝
U S Steel 5s	100	99⅞	99⅞
Utah Copper	51⅞	49¼	50⅞
Wabash R R	1⅛	¾	1⅛
Wab R R pf	2¾	2¾	2¾
Westinghouse	70	67½	69
Western Un	59⅞	58¾	59⅞
Wh & L Erie	2½	2½	2½

MONEY MARKET

NEW YORK, Dec. 14.—Mercantile paper 4 to 4½ per cent. Sterling exchange steady; 60 day bills 4.8450; for cables 4.8775; for demand 4.8715. Bar silver 49⅞. Mexican dollars 38¼. Government bonds steady, railroad bonds strong.

Time loans steady; 60 and 90 days 4; six months 4½.

BOSTON MARKET

BOSTON, Dec. 14.—After an opening which was characterized by fluctuating prices the local market steadied later in the day and at the close quotations were at the highest of the session. Of these, Boston & Maine was in brisk demand, closing at 34.

COPPER STOCKS CLIMB

DURING EARLY HOURS OF TRADING — SUBSTANTIAL GENERAL ADVANCES—CLOSE WAS STRONG

NEW YORK, Dec. 14.—Business on the stock exchange today opened with every outward indication of a restoration of normal conditions. The general rise in prices which marked the resumption of operations last Saturday was continued though fewer issues were traded in during the first half hour. During that period trading was limited largely to the copper group, which rose 1 to 2½ points. Reading, Lehigh Valley, Erie and St. Paul also materially extended last Saturday's gains. Atchison & Penna. were among the few prominent issues to show hesitation. The movement pointed to an accumulation of week-end orders, together with a further covering of short contracts.

Transactions in the first hour were 40 per cent in excess of that period last Saturday. Although realizing for profits was general, it failed to check the further advance. Coppers continued to climb, their movements being attributed to a combination of better trade conditions, relative cheapness and speculative possibilities. In the railroad group Penna. recovered while other high grade issues broke into new ground. At the clearing house United States Steel sold at 50¾, 1⅛ under July 30 closing, with Union Pac. at 118¼, an advance of 1¼. Can. Pac. was 155½ bid, offered at 158. Bonds were firm.

Although business dwindled in the early afternoon, prices continued to advance under lead of Amalgamated and the better known railroad securities. The movement spread to the bond list with higher prices for convertible issues. Further substantial gains were reported in the international stocks at private sales.

The first full day of open trading in stocks was marked by substantial general advances which attained the highest level in the final hour. The late advance followed the announcement that from tomorrow all shares are to be readmitted to the list.

The close was strong. There were some recessions in special stocks subjected to selling pressure but elsewhere further improvement was noted. Amal. increased its gain to 5⅜ points.

COTTON EXCHANGE HOLIDAY

NEW YORK, Dec. 14.—The local cotton exchange will have a three days' holiday Christmas. The governors voted to remain closed Dec. 26.

BOSTON MARKET

Boston Elevated	96½	96	96½
Boston & Maine	33	30½	35
N Y & N H	57	53	56¾

MINING

Adventure	1	1	1
Am zinc	18¼	17½	17½
Allouez	37	37	37
Arcadian	6¼	5	6¼
Ariz Com	4¼	4⅛	4⅛
Butte & Superior	38	37½	37¾
Cal & Ariz	57¾	55¾	57¾
Cal & Hecla	284	280	280
Centennial	15	15	15
Chino	36⅞	33¾	36⅜
Copper Range	31½	30½	31½
E. Butte	8¾	8¼	8¾
Franklin	5⅜	5¼	5¼
Granby	66	65	66
Greene-Cananea	28	28	28
Hancock	16	13	16
Indiana	3	3	3
Kerr Lake	4¾	4¾	4¾
Isle Royale	19	17	19
Lake	6½	6⅝	6½
Mass	4	3½	4
Mayflower	5¼	4¾	5¼
Miami	18⅝	18¼	18⅝
Mohawk	45½	44	45
Nevada	14	12¼	13½
Nipissing	5¾	5¾	5¾
North Butte	23¼	21½	22½
No. Lake	1¼	1¼	1¼
Old Colony	4½	3½	4½
Old Dominion	45¾	45	45⅞
Osceola	68	68	68
Pond Creek	15½	15	15½
Quincy	52½	51¾	52½
Ray Con	17½	16½	17½
Shannon	4¾	4¼	4¾
Superior	26¼	25½	26¼
Superior & Boston	1⅞	1⅝	1⅞
Tamarack	23	23	23
Trinity	3¼	3¼	3¼
U S Smelt	30	28½	30
U S Smelt pf	43¾	43½	43½
Utah Cons	10¾	10½	10½
Utah Apex	2¾	2¾	2¾
Winona	2⅝	2	2
Wolverine	37	34	34

TELEPHONE

Am Tel & Tel	117½	117	117
New Eng Tel	130½	130½	130½

MISCELLANEOUS

	High	Low	Close
Am Agri pfd	92	90	92
Am Pneu	2	2	2
Am Pneu pfd	18	17½	17⅞
Am Woolen pfd	77	76½	77
Mass Elec	10½	10	10
Mass Gas	84	84	84
Mass Gas pfd	86½	86½	86½
Swift & Co	104	104	104
U S Shoe Mach	57¾	54½	57½
U S Mach pfd	29	28½	28¾

COTTON MARKET

NEW YORK, Dec. 14.—Cotton opened steady. First prices: Dec., 6.85; Jan., 7.00; March, 7.21; May, 7.37; July, 7.52; Oct., 7.80.

The close was steady. Last prices: Dec., 6.89; Jan., 7.03; March, 7.32; May, 7.19; July, 7.64; Oct., 7.93.

Cotton spot closed quiet.

Middling uplands, 7.55; Sales 3260 bales.

A TREE THIS SOLDIER'S BOOTH BACK OF THE GERMAN LINES IN FRANCE

GERMAN ARMY TELEPHONE OPERATOR PHOTO © 1914 BY AMERICAN PRESS ASSOCIATION

The operation of the field telephone in the German army has been brought to a high point of efficiency. Most of the entire front in France and Belgium is covered by a network of telephones. The picture was taken back of the lines in France and shows an operator with a "booth" at a tree.

BOY HAD PLAYED TRUANT

WENT SKATING—GOT WET AND WAS AFRAID TO GO HOME TILL CLOTHES DRIED

Because he had played truant from school and was afraid to go home lest he should receive a beating for the offence, a 12-year-old lad who refused to reveal his identity, was found walking along Lakeview avenue about 10.30 o'clock this forenoon, with his clothes soaked and suffering greatly from the cold as a result of falling through the thin ice at Wheeler's pond, Dracut. Although the lad was questioned at length by railroad men and others who happened along, he absolutely refused to give any information concerning his people, and hence was finally taken into a Lakeview avenue store, where his clothes were dried so that he could go home and receive treatment. He then left the store apparently pleased, but did not deign to give his name.

MASS. FISHERMEN PROTEST

WASHINGTON, Dec. 14.—Protests from Massachusetts fishermen against sections of the McKellar cold storage bill limiting the duration of cold storage of seafood piled into the house commerce committee today. Hearings are in progress.

PLAN FOR BETTER ARMY

SEN. CHAMBERLAIN OF OREGON FAVORS SEC. GARRISON'S RECOMMENDATIONS

SENATOR CHAMBERLAIN

WASHINGTON, Dec. 14.—Senator G. E. Chamberlain of Oregon, chairman of the senate committee on military affairs, has issued a statement saying that he will support Sec. Garrison's recommendations for an increase of 25,000 men in the enlisted personnel of the army and for the creation of reserve forces. This statement by Senator Chamberlain, who will have charge of such legislation in the senate, is particularly significant because there seems to be some doubt as to President Wilson's attitude toward Sec. Garrison's recommendations. Furthermore, it is already apparent that Sec. Garrison will meet with bitter opposition from Chairman Hay of the house committee on military affairs. Senator Chamberlain's statement indicates that there may be a fight between the senate and the house committees having jurisdiction of the bills.

$100,000,000 A YEAR

CANADA WILL PROBABLY HAVE TO BORROW THAT AMOUNT WHILE THE WAR LASTS

MONTREAL, Dec. 14.—Canada will probably have to borrow $100,000,000 a year while the European war lasts. In the opinion of Finance Minister White. Mr. White made this statement in an address at the Canadian club in which he urged the business men of the Dominion to do all in their power to increase Canadian production to offset the adverse balance of trade.

AN IMPORTANT DECISION

NON-RESIDENT ALIENS MAY RECOVER DAMAGE UNDER FEDERAL EMPLOYES LIABILITY LAW

WASHINGTON, Dec. 14.—Non-resident aliens may recover damage under the federal employers liability law for the negligent killing of those supporting them, according to a decision today by the supreme court in the case of Patrick and Bridget McGovern of Ireland. They had been awarded a judgment for $750 for the killing of their son while working in the Reading terminal at Philadelphia.

PRESENTS FOR SOLDIERS

MANY CHRISTMAS AND NEW YEAR PACKAGES GOING TO THE FRENCH TROOPS

PARIS, Dec. 14.—The number of Christmas and New Year packages going forward for the French soldiers at the front is already so great that the military authorities have found it necessary to issue a note to the public suggesting to the families of soldiers that they reduce their gifts to a minimum. The heavier parcels now require for their transportation no less than 100 freight cars a day, while the lighter weight packages going by mail are averaging 220,000 daily.

The Christmas Gift that all boys like

The youngster who owns an Ives Miniature Railway and a set of Ives Struktiron is never at a loss for something to do.

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BATTLES WITH STARLINGS

Birds Contest Invasion of Church Tower by Bell Hangers—Starlings Great Fighters

HARTFORD, Conn., Dec. 14.—The men from Troy who are putting the new chimes into a tower of St. Joseph's cathedral have had several midair battles with the birds in order to retain possession of the tower.

S. L. Kehn, who is in charge of the work, told of the difficulties that had been encountered. "It has been almost impossible to work," he declared. "There were so many birds in that tower. There are thousands of them and I'll bet if we could tell the exact number we would find there were at least 10,000. I've been hanging bells for 22 years, but never in my life have I seen anything to compare with it."

"When we started in on our work the birds resented our entrance into their retreat. They fought us and we had a real battle before we had driven them out. They were very bold and would fly into our faces and peck at us. After we had once driven them out they left us fairly well alone during the day while they were feeding somewhere, but they come back for the night. Every morning we have the same kind of a battle to get rid of them."

George Fempser, one of the men who is assisting in the work, endorsed all that Mr. Kehn had to say. The birds are the troublesome starlings and when they are driven out by the men coming to work they fly across the avenue, perch in the trees, and are so thick that they compose an almost unbroken blanket of blackness.

RIVERS ARE SWOLLEN

Last Night's Rain Added to the Flow of the Rivers—Wind Was Very Strong

Last night's storm was one of the most severe visitations of rain that this section has experienced this year, the terrific wind which blew up about midnight doing considerable damage.

In several parts of the city small buildings were badly shaken by the savage gusts and gales, window blinds and shutters suffered severely.

Although the storm was not of long duration, the rain came down in such torrents that both the Merrimack and Concord rivers show the effects of it today.

CHRISTMAS VACATIONS

EVENING STUDENTS AT GIRLS' VOCATIONAL SCHOOL OUT—REMAINDER START FRIDAY

The evening sessions of the local vocational school for girls, held in the Morrill school on Common street, have been suspended for the Christmas holidays and will reopen on Monday, December 28. The girls' school closed Friday evening after a very successful term.

Next Friday evening the boys' schools, located at the old Bartlett and Mann school buildings will close until December 28, their vacation being one week shorter than that of the girls. The day sessions of the vocational school will close Friday and will also be resumed on Monday, December 28.

The grammar and high schools of the city will close Friday for a 10 days' vacation, reopening December 28.

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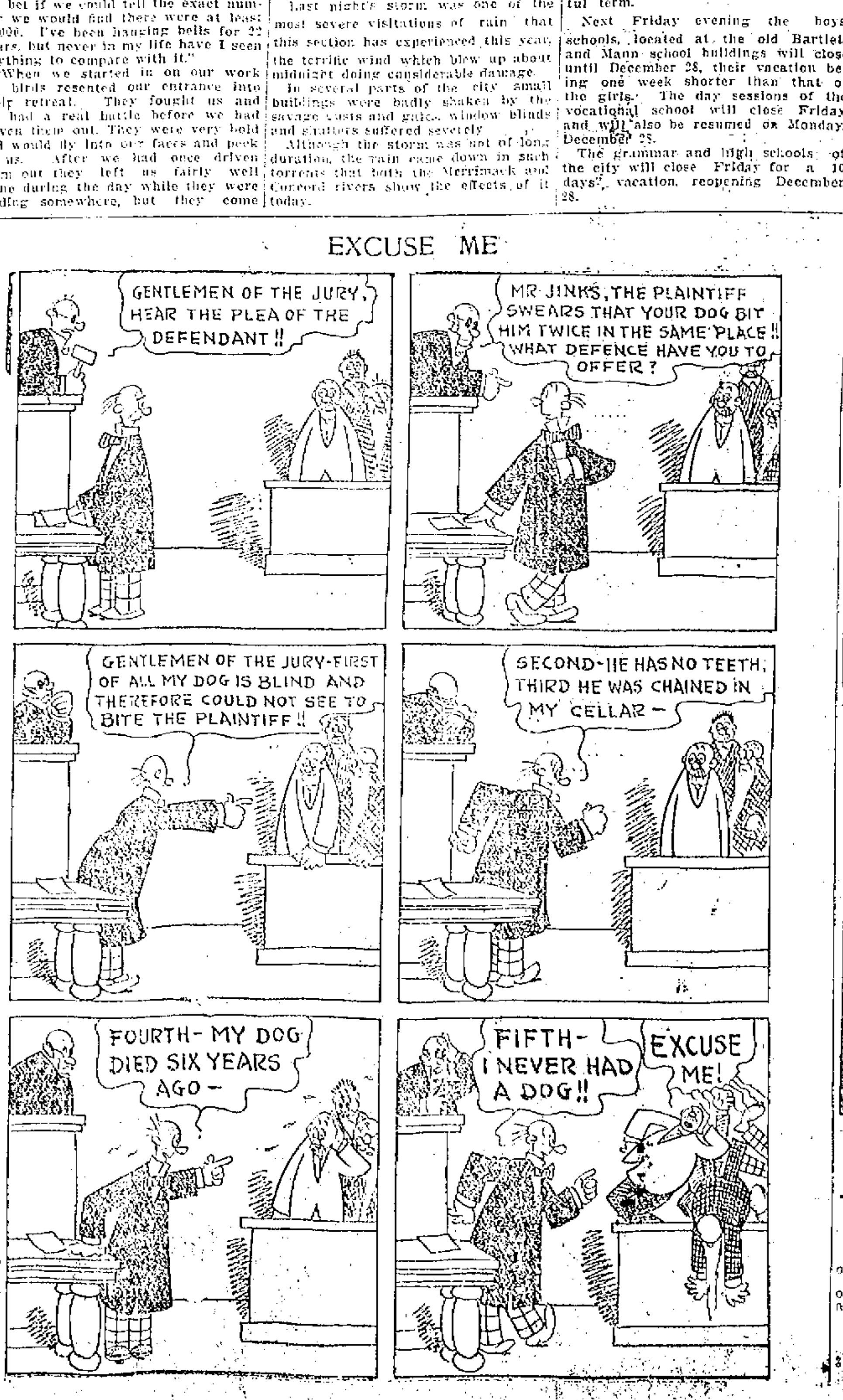

NOTORIOUS SAFE CRACKER

PROPOSES PLAN TO HAVE CONVICTS AID IN SUPPORT OF FAMILIES OF MEN IN JAIL

CHICAGO, Dec. 14—Convicts in the Joliet penitentiary put into operation today a plan to raise a fund for the support of families of the men serving terms in prison.

The 1336 inmates agreed to spend their spare time with their craft and turn their product over to an agent through whom sales will be made. All money received will go into a general fund for the support of wives and children of the prisoners. The convicts call their organization the Joliet Mutual Benefit association.

The plan was proposed by "English Eddie," a skilled mechanic, who is regarded as one of the most notorious safe-crackers in the country.

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JOHN HENRY McCRACKEN ELECTED PRESIDENT TO SUCCEED DR. WARFIELD

NEW YORK, Dec. 14.—John Henry McCracken, professor of political philosophy at New York university, was today elected president of Lafayette college. He succeeds Dr. E. D. Warfield who resigned some time ago.

The new president is a son of former Chancellor McCracken of New York University.

CREW OF 27 WERE SAVED

BRITISH STEAMER ISLE OF IONA STRANDED OFF HATTERAS INLET LAST EVENING

NORFOLK, Va., Dec. 14.—Hurled ashore by the gale that swept the Atlantic coast last night the British steamer Isle of Iona was stranded today 23 miles south of Hatteras inlet with eight feet of water in her engine room. Lifesavers in motorboats took off the crew of 27.

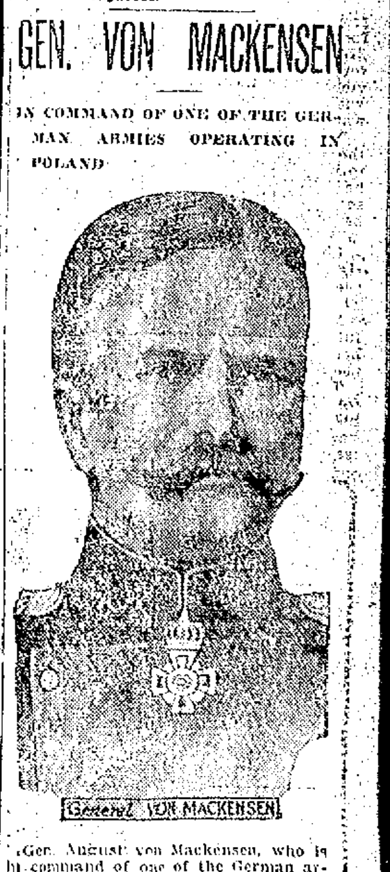
The Isle of Iona, sailing from New York and Philadelphia, reached Havana, Nov. 19. She was said to be owned by the Furness-Withy line.

BERGERON BOY IMPROVING

The condition of William Bergeron, 12 years of age, who was struck by an automobile opposite his home in Moody street Friday afternoon, is improving, and it was stated at the Lowell hospital this afternoon that the boy has good chances of recovering. It was at first feared the lad had received serious internal injuries.

GEN. VON MACKENSEN

IN COMMAND OF ONE OF THE GERMAN ARMIES OPERATING IN POLAND



General VON MACKENSEN

Gen. August von Mackensen, who is in command of one of the German armies operating in Poland for the purpose of capturing Warsaw, is 55 years old. He became a colonel in 1895, was made a noble in 1899, became a lieutenant general in 1903 and made a general commanding the Seventeenth army corps and general of cavalry in 1908.

CARRANZA SENDS NOTE

Notifies State Dept. That Sending of U. S. Troops to Naco, Ariz., Will be Act of Hostility

WASHINGTON, Dec. 14.—General Carranza today notified the state department that any use of American troops at Naco, Ariz., in efforts to keep Mexican bullets from American soil will be considered an act of hostility, however well disposed the American government may be.

This agrees with his statement at Vera Cruz on Saturday.

Reiterating his previous statements, Carranza says that General Hill has controlled his fire and that he is sending his instructions anew to the Sonora commander to avoid any firing that would endanger those across the American border. He deplores that Americans have been killed and wounded, but suggests that there accidents have been due to carelessness on the part of Americans or "imprudent curiosity" and cites similar occurrences when Madero besieged Juarez and Americans endangered their lives by seeking points of vantage in El Paso from which to view the fighting.

Finally he points out that the position of Hill's troops who are stationed with their backs to the American frontier is such that it would be impossible for their fire to enter American territory and that consequently any shots from the American side would be a direct aid to the Villa forces.

WAR TAX BILL

Amendment Favors Extension of Time to Make Returns

WASHINGTON, Dec. 14.—An amendment to the war tax bill announcing that no penalties shall be imposed for failure to make returns on or before Jan. 1, 1915, an extension from Dec. 1, 1914, was passed today by the senate. It now goes to the house.

TRIAL OF E. P. METCALF

FOURTH WEEK OF TRIAL OF FORMER PRESIDENT OF PROVIDENCE BANK

PROVIDENCE, R. I., Dec. 14.—With the case of the prosecution nearly completed, the trial of Edward P. Metcalf, former president of the Atlantic National bank, and Henry E. De Kay, a New York broker, on charges alleging misapplication of funds of the bank entered its fourth week today. The reading of letters took most of the day. The letters were introduced by the prosecution in an attempt to show that the defendants used money for their own purposes without giving adequate security or paying interest.

TWO AMERICANS KILLED

SEC. BRYAN DIRECTS INVESTIGATION INTO SHOOTING OF AMERICANS AT SONORA, MEXICO

WASHINGTON, Dec. 14.—Thomas Francis and another American whose name has not been determined have been killed in Sonora, Mexico, according to a report today from the American consular agent at Cananea. Secretary Bryan directed an investigation. No information is contained in the despatch other than that the killing took place between Agua Prieta and Nacozari, Mexico.

PITTSBURGH MAN KILLED

DOUGLAS, Ariz., Dec. 14.—The companion of Thomas Francis, whose death in Sonora was reported to the state department today by the American consular agent at Cananea was R. L. Dunn, of Pittsburgh, Pa. The two men were reported to have been robbed and killed by Mexican outlaws last Wednesday while returning here from a mine near Nacozari, which Francis had been operating. He was a mining contractor and his home was here.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS QUARTERS

Important changes are being made at the Knights of Columbus building at 25 Anne street. Carpenters are at work remodeling the bath room on the second floor and when finished the shower baths will all be rearranged, while other improvements will be noticeable. The boiler room in the basement is to be partitioned off, giving more floor space for use of the organization. It is expected that the work will be completed next week.

WHERE'S MRS. HALL, GOLDMAN?

Supt. Welch received a letter from the department of public safety, or in other words the police department, of Philadelphia this morning asking him to locate if possible a woman by the name of Mrs. Elizabeth Hall or Goldman or Goldey, the police there were not sure of her last name.

The woman's relatives have not heard from her for three years and Lowell was the last place where any trace of the woman was known. She has a brother and sister living in Philadelphia who are very anxious to learn her whereabouts.

CITY HALL NEWS

Street Department is Closing up on Sewer Work—Brown on Job

Mayor Murphy and his private secretary, Mr. John Cull, are very much interested in the shipping of the machine gun at the armory to the storekeeper of the U. S. army at Washington. The gun was sent to Lowell some time ago and was supposed to remain here as the make is somewhat obsolete and the government had no further use for it. It has developed, however, that guns of this stamp can be mounted on aeroplanes and are all right for war service. Capt. Joyce, who has charge of the armory, was preparing the gun for shipment when he was taken sick and sent to the hospital. The shipping and packing instructions received from army headquarters are very explicit and so thorough as to require the services of three or four city carpenters for a day or two.

Closing Up Sewer Work

All sewer work has been attended to with the exception of the Pawtuckeville sewer and Mr. Morse has his entire sewer force at work on this sewer. Both ends of the Tolman avenue sewer have been opened up and the commissioner intends to make a speedy clean-up on the big sewer.

Got Directory Back

Some time ago City Clerk Monahan was requested the loan of his directory by William J. Harris, director of the department of the commerce, bureau of statistics and census, in Washington, for the purpose of completing the census of manufacturers in this city. It seems that the federal government in making up the annual appropriation for this department did not set aside anything for city directories and just for that Director Harris had to borrow from cities. Mr. Harris thanked Mr. Monahan very profusely for the loan of his directory and said it was a very nice directory. He also hoped that Mr. Monahan would continue in office as long as he desired to remain there.

Brown Back on Job

George H. Brown, commissioner of finance, was at his desk this morning after a stay of two weeks or more at St. John's hospital. The commissioner is looking well and says he feels all right. He will attend the meeting of the municipal council tomorrow forenoon.

The school board will meet this evening, for the purpose of taking action on some financial matters having to do with the department.

John C. Leggat, successful candidate for the school board, has filed his election expense account with the city clerk. It cost Mr. Leggat the round sum of $23 to reach the goal of his ambition.

FIRE ON SCHOOL STREET

Box 38 sounded a few minutes past 12 o'clock today and the fire apparatus lumbered over to the Varney block at School street, where a bed was in flames. Beyond burning two mattresses and the bedding little damage was done. It is thought that the fire was started by little children playing with matches.

Fred C. Church carried the insurance on the property at 465 to 475 School street of Mr. Barney which was damaged by fire this noon.

Y. M. C. I. LADIES' NIGHT

The members of the Y. M. C. I. will conduct the third in a series of ladies' nights at the beautiful society quarters in Stackpole street tomorrow evening and judging from the report of the energetic committee having charge of the treats, the affair will be very successful. Carlin's concert orchestra will furnish the music for the dancing. During intermission the building will be given a thorough inspection, and bowling, pool and card games will be enjoyed. Ladies' nights at the rooms are rapidly gaining in favor.

SEC'Y DANIELS TESTIFIES

SAYS ALL BATTLESHIPS IN RESERVE ARE NOT SUPPLIED WITH SHELLS

WASHINGTON, Dec. 14.—Secretary Daniels told the naval committee of the house today that while all the battleships in reserve were not supplied with shells, every dreadnought and every other battleship in the active line was equipped but did not, however, have an adequate reserve supply.

"That," said the secretary, "is no navy secret."

Mr. Daniels on his third day of discussion of naval affairs with the committee covered a variety of subjects. He declared the navy was making torpedoes at Newport for $3,000 each, more than $1,000 less than the price at which private concerns supply them, asked the committee to authorize more than six new destroyers in view of the prices at which Saturday's bids were accepted, told how the navy was making tests of a new and promising great results for attacking submarines and urged an appropriation of $500,000 for a government torpedoe plant.

"Private manufacturers charge all they can get; the question of cost doesn't enter into it," he declared.

A special board, the secretary said, is considering a reform of the plucking system by which "the hump" may be removed for promotion of younger officers by putting certain senior officers into a reserve instead of retiring them on pay with no duties.

Representative Gardner continued his movement for investigation of the national defenses by writing letters to the chairman of the naval and military committee urging examination of army and navy officers.

Sec'y Daniels said that tests completed on coal from Alaska had proved virtually perfect.

If you want help at home or in your business, try The Sun "Want" column.

TO INVESTIGATE PARDON

REP. WASHBURN WANTS INQUIRY INTO PARDON GRANTED JOHN A. HALL, BANK DEFAULTER

WORCESTER, Dec. 14.—Rep. Washburn announced today that he is to introduce at the next session of the Massachusetts legislature an order for an investigation of the pardon granted to John A. Hall, the Southbridge bank defaulter, by the governor and council last week. So that the move may be eliminated from politics, Mr. Washburn is to ask that the investigating committee be composed equally of democrats and republicans.

NEW PASTOR AT BILLERICA

Rev. William L. Walsh of Billerica, preached his first sermon yesterday since being installed as pastor of the Unitarian church of Billerica Centre. Mr. Walsh delivered a stirring sermon at the morning service answering the critics of the present day church. A fine musical program was also furnished.

HIS BAIL WAS DEFAULTED

ROBERT S. BROWN, INDICTED FOR FORGERY IN BOSTON, NOW BELIEVED TO BE IN AUSTRALIA

BOSTON, Dec. 14.—The $2000 bail bond of Robert S. Brown, a broker and former treasurer of the Southern S. S. Co., who was indicted in 1910 for forging the name of George Otis Draper to a note for $5000, was defaulted in the superior court today. It is believed that Brown is in Australia. Mr. Draper, who is a son of the late Gen. W. F. Draper of Hopedale and Washington, told the district attorney that forged notes amounting to $125,000 have been discovered since Brown pleaded not guilty to the indictment.

Brown was arrested in New York in 1911 and brought here on extradition papers.

ECONOMY WATCHWORD

OF COMMITTEE IN PREPARING LEGISLATIVE, EXECUTIVE AND JUDICIAL APPROPRIATIONS

WASHINGTON, Dec. 14.—Economy was the watchword of the appropriations committee in the preparation of the legislative, executive and judicial appropriation bill first of the big supply measures which was reported to the house today. The committee loped off nearly $2,000,000 from the estimates submitted by the various departments, cutting salary allowances all along the line and brought in a measure appropriating $35,744,752.50. The bill provides for more than $16,000,000 salaries of government employes.

The total of the bill shows an increase of $1,128,843 over last year's measure. But this year's measure includes a special appropriation of $2,286,100 and authorizes one thousand additional employes for taking the agricultural census authorized by the law covering the last regular census in 1910.

The committee in its report says that this is an extraordinary expenditure which will come every ten years and maintains, therefore, that this year's measure is materially less than the last appropriation.

The bill contains the usual provision cutting down the mileage allowance of members of congress from ten to five cents a mile. The fight to cut down the mileage allowance has been on for years and although the committee each year reports the reduction in the bill, it is defeated either on the floor of the house or in the senate.

The committee cut $102,360 from the estimates of the secretary of commerce for the work of the bureau of foreign and domestic commerce, although an increase of $25,000 over last year's appropriation was allowed for promoting commerce with South and Central America.

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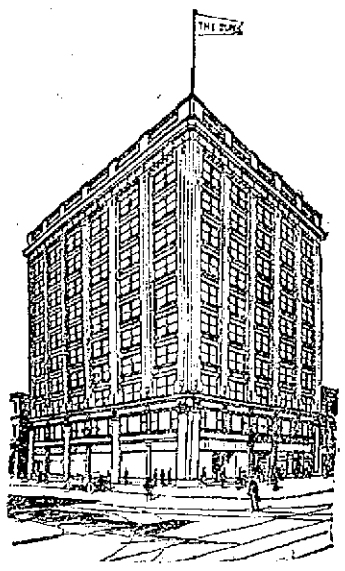

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SEC. MURPHY PLEASED

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gineers and receive recognition and obtain appropriations, because we shall have established the fact that the development of the Merrimack river is a meritorious project and does not savor of the pork barrel proposition. The entire delegation is especially grateful to Congressman John Jacob Rogers for the many courtesies extended the delegates during their stay in the capital."

The Lowell delegation arrived at Washington early Wednesday afternoon and immediately went to the Congress Hall hotel, where they enjoyed dinner and received assignment to their rooms. Later in the afternoon they stormed the office of the appellate board of the United States army engineers, where Col. A. M. Black acted as presiding officer. The delegation from the Merrimack valley could not be accommodated on account of the inadequacy of the room for the apartment was packed and a large number remained in the hall.

Congressman John Jacob Rogers and A. B. Sutherland, the latter of Lawrence, briefly stated that the delegation was prepared to present business arguments in relation to the adverse report of Col. Craighill and desired further time to present arguments concerning the engineering features of the report.

Cong. Rogers suggested to Col. Black that the report be recommitted to Col. Craighill and Col. Black suggested that Cong. Rogers get in touch with the chief of the U. S. army engineers and on the latter's advice the three congressmen present, Messrs. Rogers, Gardner and Phelan, signed a petition drafted by Cong. Rogers requesting Col. Craighill that his report be recommitted to him before going to the engineers.

The following morning at 10 o'clock the congressional hearing was held before the committee on rivers and harbors and on account of the large delegation present it was necessary to hold the hearing in the large room of the congressional office building, the committee room being too small.

The congressional committee asked many questions of the Merrimack valley delegation and seemed much interested in their position. The favorable impression made by the delegates who attended the hearing was commented upon, and Congressman Rogers received congratulations from his colleagues in reference to the enthusiasm concerning the project, for all delegates wore badges and buttons which could be seen all over the room.

Congressman Rogers had the Lowell delegation meet President Woodrow Wilson by appointment at the White House and he also had them visit several points of interest throughout Washington, supplying official guides. Robert F. Marden, president of the board and Secretary John H. Murphy while on their visit to the president extended the chief executive of the country an invitation to attend the silver jubilee of the Lowell board of trade in this city on Feb. 8, and the president promised to give the invitation consideration, saying he will reply to the invitation, which was extended in writing.

The entire Merrimack valley delegation were entertained at luncheon in the capitol building by Congressman Gardner and later Congressmen Gardner, Rogers and Phelan tendered another dinner to the entire delegation at the new Ebbitt house.

The Lowell delegation before leaving Washington sent a large bouquet of flowers to Mrs. John Jacob Rogers at her home in Washington as a token of appreciation for the services rendered the delegation by her husband during their stay in Washington. Certain members of the party left ahead of the board of trade men, some going to other parts of the country, and all meeting in New York Saturday evening. D. J. Carroll, Joseph E. Donahue, Edward F. Fahey and Thomas F. McKay went to Baltimore and Philadelphia, while Jesse D. Crook journeyed to Old Point Comfort, Va. Clarence H. Nelson went to Lynchburg, Va., and the rest of the party, consisting of Robert F. Marden, John H. Murphy, Capt. W. P. White and John W. Robinson, went to New York. Mayor D. J. Murphy, who was also of the party went to New York, but did not return with the party.

The accommodations at the hotels were of the best, while the train service was excellent. The Lowell delegation is well pleased with its trip and Messrs. Marden and Murphy are being complimented on the result.

HELD BIRTHDAY PARTY

Little Miss Jeannette Morin, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Fortunat Morin, was agreeably surprised yesterday afternoon, when a number of her young friends called at the home of her uncle, J. Omer Smith, 162 Fourth avenue, and presented her several beautiful gifts on the occasion of her eighth anniversary of birth.

The little girl was taken totally by surprise, but she managed to thank her companions for their token of esteem. Among the gifts was a bouquet containing eight beautiful pinks. A birthday cake was cut and a pleasant afternoon was spent, musical numbers and games being enjoyed. Among those present were Simonne and Laura Gingras, Flore and Berthe Guimond, Clarisse Brunelle, Irene Harvey, Vivienne and Pauline Langell, Venita Fortin, Marguerite and Andre Bourgeois, Grace Carroll and Albert Morin. When the party broke up the little guests extended a vote of thinks to Mr. and Mrs. Smith for their cordial hospitality and their best wishes to their hostess.

Miss Rose A. Dowd has been elected chairman of the suffragists of precinct 2, ward 1, and Miss Frances Masterson has been chosen secretary.

WOMAN BROKE ARM

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she fainted and despite the fact that Miss White claimed to have been conscious all of the time, the evidence was somewhat in support of the belief that she had fainted or had experienced a weak spell due to some cause unknown to the woman herself or the investigators.

The amount involved was not very great, but there were technical points that made the case interesting. Miss White said she remembered that while falling that her arm struck the gear. She fell in a sitting position and summoned assistance by putting the dress of the woman weaving at the next loom. Miss White has not worked since the accident and she has not recovered the use of her arm. Her arm is still bandaged and she is unable to manipulate her fingers. The arm was set, she said, by Dr. James E. Vaughan, assisted by Dr. Fred L. Murphy. Neither of the doctors was present at the hearing because of the fact that they were engaged at the hospitals. Miss White said she noticed that after she fell the loom was stopped. She could not say if she stopped it or if it had stopped automatically as it would in the event of a warp breaking. Replying to counsel for the insured, Miss White stated that she had never told anybody that she had stopped the loom before falling. The matter of wages was taken up and Miss White said she had made more than $11 and less than $5 a week. It depended a great deal, she said, on the kind of work and quite frequently it was necessary to wait for warp, so that very often she did not work a full week. It was agreed to place her average wage at $6.50 a week.

Miss White, in reply to question by counsel, said she did not remember having told anybody that just before falling everything became dark. She stated, however, that she might have said it.

Miss Annie F. Williams was the weaver whose skirt Miss White pulled when she fell and Miss Williams testified upon feeling somebody tugging at her skirt, she turned and found Miss White on the floor, in a sitting position. Miss Williams did not see her fall. She called to another weaver, Miss Spillane, to assist her and they helped Miss White to her feet. Witness said Miss White complained about her arm but did not say anything about how she happened to fall. Witness said there were gear scratches on the back of Miss White's forearm and a lump on her wrist.

Nora H. Spillane, with Miss Williams, assisted Miss White to her feet, and she corroborated what Miss Williams had said. Besides the gear marks on the arm and lump on the wrist, Miss Spillane said she noticed that the skin on one of Miss White's fingers had been drawn back from the nail. Miss White, she said, didn't show any signs of having fainted. She complained of her arm, that was all.

The most important part of the evidence offered by Miss Williams and Miss Spillane, however, did not come out until the case was about to close and then they remembered that Miss White's left arm was over and behind the cloth roll. This piece of evidence went a long way in confirming the belief that the arm had come in contact with the machine and the break was due to such contact rather than with the floor.

Bridget L. Ryan, another weaver, testified. She said that she was employed in another room and was called in to assist in caring for Miss White. "I went with her in a carriage to her home in Concord street," said Miss Ryan, "but she didn't tell me how the accident happened."

Miss Ryan had signed a written statement to the effect that on their way to Miss White's house in the carriage Miss White said to her: "Ain't it too bad. I don't realize what has happened." This statement was submitted and Miss Ryan said she would not go back on a statement made on the day of the accident as the matter was fresher in her mind then than at the present time. Miss Ryan, however, maintained that Miss White did not look like a person who had fainted.

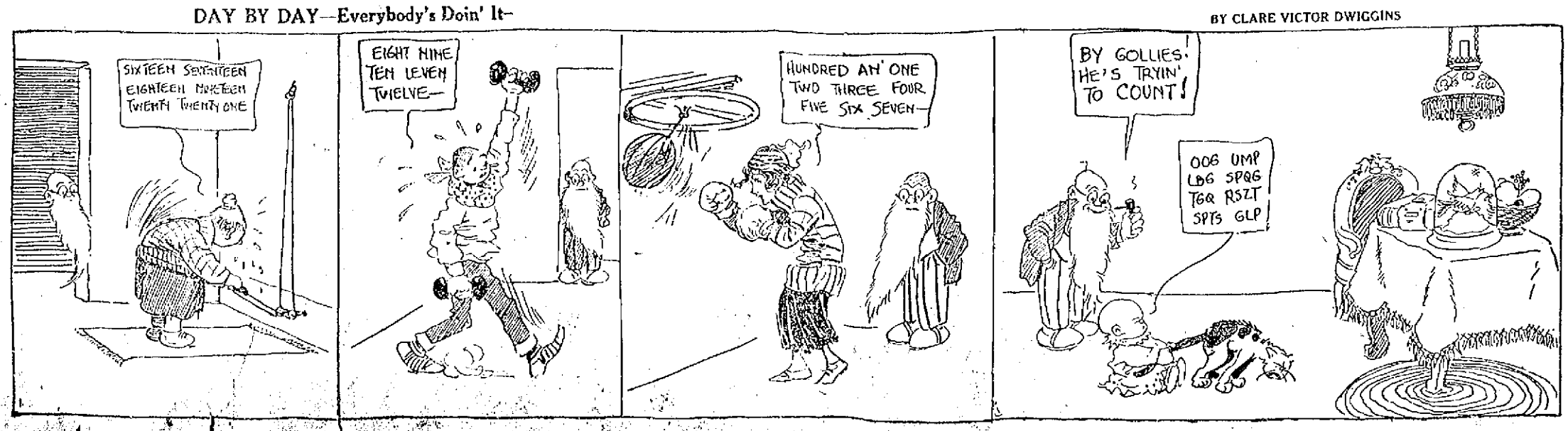
William F. Lake, overseer in the Middlesex, testified. He stated that Arthur McQuade, a loomfixer, had told him that Miss White had taken a shock. Witness said he went to Miss White and asked: "Katie, what has happened to you?" He said Katie told him that while standing at the end of her loom something dark came over her eyes and that the next she remembered somebody was helping her away from the loom.

Arthur McQuade, the loomfixer referred to by Mr. Lake, corroborated what Mr. Lake had said relative to Miss White taking a shock. He said he had heard one of the girls say that Miss White had taken a shock, but that upon seeing Miss White he knew it wasn't so. Mr. McQuade said the loom was stopped when he got there and that it looked to him as if somebody had stopped it by accident. He said it was easy to discover when a loom stopped automatically and in this case, he said, the loom did not stop automatically, because the brake was not sprung.

Overseer Lake stated that he had been instructed to offer Miss White a job at "speeking." This is work, he said, that can be done with one hand. Speeking, he said, means picking specks from cloth, white specks from dark cloth and vice versa. The job, he said, would pay $6.40 a week, and it could be done with one hand. Miss White, however, stated that because of business reasons she would not be able to go to work right away and that when she went to work she wanted to have the use of both hands. The committee finally decided to allow her compensation in the sum of $4 a week until she gets back to her loom.

DAY BY DAY—Everybody's Doin' It—

BY CLARE VICTOR DWIGGINS



JOIN RED CROSS

Hitchcock and Barron of Harvard College Off to Europe

BOSTON, Dec. 14.—H. R. Hitchcock, '13, the 1912 football tackle and later Harvard's pitcher, has left for Europe with E. L. Barron, '13, a former president of the Harvard Lampoon, to join the Red Cross corps in active service at the front.

The men left Cambridge yesterday for New York. It is possible that they may be chosen to drive or accompany the ambulance automobiles that Harvard is planning to send to the Red Cross in Europe. They have been assigned to the department which is in charge of Gardner Hale, '15, another editor of the Harvard Lampoon. Hitchcock and Barron corresponded with him before leaving and it was through his influence that they decided to join in helping the wounded soldiers.

Hitchcock entered the Harvard law school this fall and Barron had been working on a Boston paper. Several Harvard seniors who will be graduated at midyear have planned to go abroad, and it is possible that the whole contingent will form a Harvard division and use the four ambulances sent by the college in the Red Cross work.

THOMAS RAPS COLLINS

VETERAN ATHLETIC CATCHER BLAMES SECOND BASEMAN FOR LOSS OF SEVERAL GAMES

In every ball club are some petty jealousies and invariably a couple of knockers, but the Mackmen were known as a club that was practically free from this little disturbance until the past season. That there is something wrong is evident in the way certain players do not mind knocking each other in public. The last shot by Ira Thomas at the brilliant Eddie Collins proves conclusively that the tactician had a bunch of trouble on his hands.

Thomas, who is on the trip with the All-Americans now en route to Honolulu, is reported to have written to a friend that Collins lost many ball games for the Athletics through his desire to grab all the money there was in sight. Ira, in explaining this, is reported to have said that Collins' newspaper articles had not only lost many games, but caused other teams to change their styles so completely that Ira had his doubts about the future success of the team.

Thomas declares that the Athletics would have had smooth sailing to at least four or five more consecutive pennants had Collins kept his knowledge to himself. Incidentally Ira remarks that this inside knowledge of the oposing teams' weaknesses was not secured by Eddie, but by other members of the team, and that Collins was let in on it. It is generally thought that Collins is one of the shrewdest men in the country in this respect, but now the fans will have to take their pick and either agree with Ira or decide that Thomas has an ax to grind.

Here is what Thomas is reported to have written to his friend:

"In writing his article Collins has tipped off many things that he should have kept to himself. He did not give away our signs or tell so much about the inside workings of our club, but he did something that was just as bad.

"For years our players have been grabbing the signs of other clubs, the peculiarities of the different players and their weaknesses. Very little of this was gathered by Collins, but naturally along with the rest of the players, everything was told him.

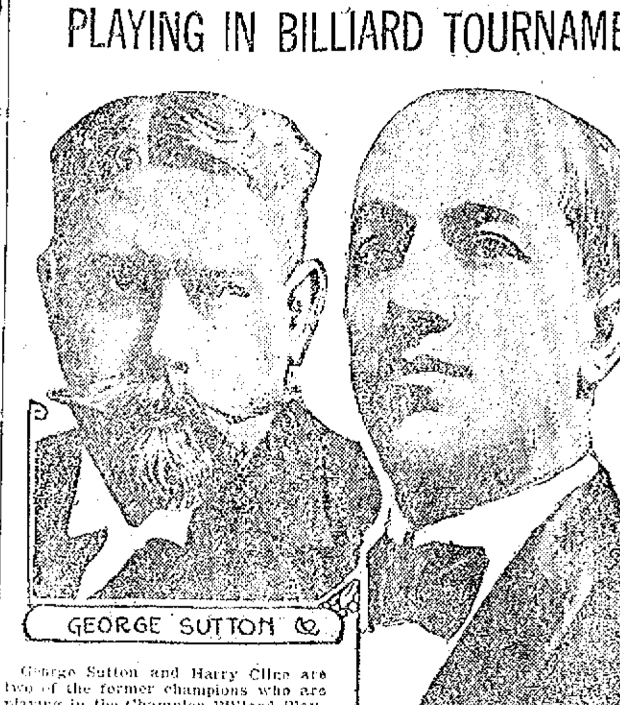
"Eddie used this information in his articles, telling just how we knew what was coming from a certain pitcher because he always did a peculiar windup when he was going to throw a curve ball. Naturally the rival players heard about this and started to remedy their defects. Certain signs that had been used a long time by other clubs were changed.

"With the information we had at our disposal we would have been able to win pennants for the next six years. But all this was changed because Collins wanted to grab all the money in sight, and thus spoiled the work of several years by a few of us. The other clubs now watch us keenly, and we won't have the big edge over visiting teams in future."

TO PREVENT FIRES

BOSTON, Dec. 14.—Michael A. Murphy, deputy fire prevention commissioner, addressed the delegates to the Garment Workers' district council yesterday afternoon and, after explaining the work that his department is trying to do, called on the men and women to go back to their respective unions and try to teach their fellow-workers to use care and prevent fires.

CLINE AND SUTTON, EX-CHAMPIONS, PLAYING IN BILLIARD TOURNAMENT



George Sutton and Harry Cline are two of the former champions who are playing in the Champion Billiard Players league games in various cities over the country. Sutton is the oldest player in the league. He lost his title in the 1912 game to Calvin Demarest, who in turn was defeated by Harry Cline, who gave way to Willie Hoppe. Sutton was compelled to retire owing to ill health a few years ago, but he has recently regained his strength and is playing a good game. He owns a farm near Hartford, Mich. Harry Cline was reared on a farm near Lancaster, Pa. His father owned a hotel in Lancaster, and the billiard table in the hotel was the first one that Harry ever saw. Forbidden to play on it because of his age, Harry rigged up a billiard table of his own in the barn with marbles for balls. He was told that real billiard balls were made from the tusks of elephants. There was no elephant on the Cline farm, but there were cows and one of them was compelled to give up a horn that Harry might make billiard balls. He was disappointed at finding that the horn was hollow. For years Farmer Cline's one-horned cow was a familiar object in the neighborhood, and there was a deep mystery as to how she lost her horn.

THREE CHILDREN PERISH

Maine Rivers Claim Three Victims—Cambridge Boy Had a Narrow Escape

Victims of Thin Ice

ALBERT ALEXANDER, aged 12, at Brunswick, Me.

MISS PHOEBE PELKIE, aged 17, at Kingman, Me.

THOMAS BEURQUE, aged 7, at Waterville, Me.

BOSTON, Dec. 14.—Frank Sheehan, aged 12, of 56 Winthrop street, Cambridge, was saved from drowning in the Charles river at the foot of Flagg street, in that city, yesterday noon by quick work on the part of Chairman Daniel A. Buckley of the Cambridge park commission, William Gaynor of De Wolfe street and John Roy of Stiles street, Cambridge.

Sheehan was one of a number of lads on the thin ice, danger signs being disregarded. The combined weight of the youngsters broke the ice, Sheehan, with Edward Cunningham, aged 12, of Banks street, Cambridge, going down. The others scampered to shore.

Cunningham managed to crawl to unbroken ice and held out a hand to Sheehan, but the ice gave way and Cunningham was forced to shift for himself.

Mr. Buckley was in the vicinity. Gaynor procured a clothesline from a neighbor, fastened one end about his waist and crawled out 25 feet, Buckley holding the other end. It was treacherous going on the ice and Sheehan had a hard time keeping afloat until Gaynor could reach him. Cunningham in the meantime had reached a place of safety and made the shore.

Gaynor finally reached Sheehan, but was unable to take him from the water, and Roy made his way out to help. The lad was hauled out by the two men and pushed ashore over the ice, Buckley hauling Gaynor, with Roy clinging on.

Sheehan was taken to the house of Henry Sullivan, Stiles street, where he was treated by Dr. C. M. Hutchinson. Yesterday afternoon he was little the worse for his experience.

SAW BROTHER PERISH

Frank Alexander Made Brave Attempt to Save His Brother Albert at Brunswick, Me.

BRUNSWICK, Me., Dec. 14.—Albert Alexander, 12 years, son of Mrs. Effie Alexander, was drowned in the Androscoggin river late yesterday afternoon. The boy and his brother Frank, two years older, were skating and knocking a can about with their hockey sticks.

Albert went on thin ice and broke through at a point where the water runs swiftly. Frank made a brave attempt to save his brother. Lying on the ice, he extended his hockey stick, but when the younger boy took hold of it he pulled Frank in also.

Ernest Barribeau saw the accident from Mill street and threw a long pole over the river bank to Leonce Labbe, who was on the ice. Labbe succeeded in reaching Frank and pulled him out, but Albert in the meantime had become benumbed with the cold and sank. The body was not recovered.

KINGMAN GIRL DROWNED

She and Two Companions Go Through Ice While Skating—Her Friends Rescued

KINGMAN, Me., Dec. 14.—Miss Phoebe Pelkie, aged 17, was drowned, and two companions were rescued when ice on which they were skating gave way yesterday.

VENTURES TOO NEAR EDGE

Thomas Beurque, Aged 7, of Waterville, Me., Drowned in the Kennebec River

WATERVILLE, Me., Dec. 14.—The first drowning accident of the season in this vicinity occurred in the Kennebec yesterday when Thomas Beurque, aged 7, fell into the open swift water when he ventured too near the edge of the ice. The body was not recovered.

SLEEPYTIME TALES

BY VIRGINIA VALE

FOR THE LITTLE READERS OF THE SUN

THE FUNNY MOUSE

Once upon a time a little field mouse ran out of the field into a hole in a tree. It was warm and snug in there and the mouse was cold and hungry so he huddled close in the corner and went fast asleep. So hard did he sleep that he didn't hear the squirrels when they came home and he woke with a start to see some big bright eyes looking at him.

"How dare you come into our house while we were away?" said one of them. "Go right out or I will push you out."

The frightened mouse tried to get up and to run but his feet were so cramped from his long rest that he nearly fell. "Poor thing, let him stay," said another squirrel, "just tonight and he can go in the morning."

The little mouse slept close beside one of the squirrels and when he woke in the morning there was a nice breakfast waiting for him. "Hugh, hugh, you better go out with us this morning and earn your night's lodging by gathering some nuts and bring them home," said a squirrel.

The little mouse was very glad to do this and worked so hard that he had the biggest pile of nuts to take home. He was such a willing little fellow that everyone began to grow quite fond of him and nothing more was said about his going and he lived all winter with his new friends.

The next spring when his own people saw him what do you think? His tail had grown quite bushy and his fur was almost as thick as the little fellows he had lived with all winter. He had grown so fond of his friends and they liked him so well that he never went back to the fields to live but lived with the squirrels all the rest of his life.

Don't you think he was a funny little fellow?

SOCIAL AND FRATERNAL

Ninety-five names were added to the membership of Lowell Aerie of Eagles at a class initiation held yesterday afternoon in Odd Fellows temple on Middlesex street. The initiation exercises proved interesting and impressive and were witnessed by nearly [illegible] Eagles from this city and elsewhere.

The degree staff was comprised of 16 members, captained by John McMahon, and the exercises were carried out without any mishap.

Following the initiation exercises, refreshments were served and a musical entertainment was furnished which consisted of selections by the Broadway quartet. The following had charge of the entertainment, Edward Smith, Peter McMahon, Alfred T. Hanley and John McCallum.

Daughters of Veterans

Mary E. Smith tent, Daughters of Veterans, has elected the following officers to serve for the ensuing year: President, Mrs. Effie Kittridge; senior vice president, Mrs. Alice Felch; junior vice president, Mrs. Alice Phelps; chaplain, Mrs. Annie S. Guyette; treasurer, Mrs. Maude Dyer; trustees, Miss Ella Hockson, Mrs. Mary Mack and Mrs. Lois Johnson; patriotic instructor, Mrs. Ethelena Curtis. It was voted to extend an invitation to the Sons of Veterans to join in a joint installation, to be open to the public, to be held at the first meeting in January.

FIRE IN LAWRENCE

LAWRENCE, Dec. 14.—A two-alarm fire in the three-story brick block, 82-84 South Broadway, owned by William Sullivan, caused about $2000 damage. The ground floor is occupied by Mr. Sullivan's dry goods store and the drug store of the Duboule company. Both sustained loss by smoke.

The fire originated in waste paper in the basement and looked so serious that Chief Engineer Carey ordered the second division called. The flames worked through the first floor in two places, but were checked. Mr. Sullivan had insurance on the building, but none on the contents of his store, it is said.

LEGAL NOTICES

To the Honorable the Judges of the Probate Court in and for the County of Middlesex:

Respectfully represents Anna M. Rourke, of Lowell, in the County of Middlesex, that she is the lawful wife of William J. Rourke, of parts unknown to your petitioner, and that your petitioner and said William J. Rourke are actually living apart from each other; that children have been born to them who are now living and whose names and dates of birth are as follows: Helena Ivy Rourke, born March 22, 1908, residing at 126 Adams street, said Lowell. Winifred Doris Rourke, born August 27, 1912, residing at 845 Lawrence street, said Lowell.

Your petitioner further represents that the happiness and welfare of said children, who are minors, require that she should have the custody and possession of them.

Wherefore she prays that said Court will make such orders as it deems expedient concerning the care, custody, education and maintenance of said minor children, and order that they remain with your petitioner.

Dated this seventh day of November, A. D. 1914.

ANNA M. ROURKE.

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS. Middlesex, ss. Probate Court.

On the foregoing petition, it is ordered that the petitioner give notice to said William J. Rourke, to appear at a Probate Court to be held at Lowell, in said County of Middlesex, on the nineteenth day of January, A. D. 1915, at nine o'clock in the forenoon, by publishing this citation once in each week, for three successive weeks in The Lowell Sun, a newspaper published in Lowell, the last publication to be one day at least, before said Court.

Witness, Charles J. McIntire, Esquire, First Judge of said Court, this twenty-seventh day of November, in the year one thousand nine hundred and fourteen.

W. E. ROGERS, Register.
N30-D7-14

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS. Middlesex, ss. Probate Court.

To the heirs-at-law, next of kin, creditors, and all other persons interested in the estate of Maurice Fitzgerald late of Lowell, in said County, deceased intestate.

Whereas a petition has been presented to said Court to grant a letter of administration on the estate of said deceased to Bridget Rohan of Lowell, in the County of Middlesex, without giving a surety on her bond.

You are hereby cited to appear at a Probate Court to be held at Lowell, in said County of Middlesex, on the fifteenth day of December, A. D. 1914, at nine o'clock in the forenoon, to show cause, if any you have, why the same should not be granted.

And the petitioner is hereby directed to give public notice thereof, by publishing this citation once in each week, for three successive weeks, in The Lowell Sun, a newspaper published in Lowell, the last publication to be one day, at least, before said Court.

Witness, Charles J. McIntire, Esquire, First Judge of said Court, this first day of December, in the year one thousand nine hundred and fourteen.

W. E. ROGERS, Register.
D2-7-14

MORTGAGEE'S SALE OF REAL ESTATE

By virtue of the power of sale contained in a certain mortgage deed given by Nathan Birchenough and Maggie A. Birchenough, his wife, in her right and in the right of each, both of Lowell, in the County of Middlesex and Commonwealth of Massachusetts, to The Central Savings Bank, a corporation established under the laws of said Commonwealth and located at said Lowell, dated April 1, 1904, and recorded in the Registry of Deeds for the Northern District of said County, Book 362, Page 562, which mortgage was assigned by said The Central Savings Bank to Charles E. Guthrie by assignment dated July 23, 1914 and recorded in said Registry, Book 525, Page 247, will be sold at public auction for breach of the conditions of said mortgage deed, on the premises hereinafter described on Wednesday, the thirtieth day of December, 1914, at eleven o'clock in the forenoon, all and singular the premises conveyed by said mortgage deed and therein described substantially as follows:

A certain piece or parcel of land situated in Dracut, in said County, near the part thereof called the Navy Yard on an old road or bridle path leading from Lakeview avenue to Hildreth street at the northwest corner of the premises to be conveyed, on said old road as shown on a plan of land entitled, "Plan of Land in Dracut, Mass., belonging to Chas. E. Guthrie, March 1904, O. M. Snell, C. E." which plan is recorded in the Registry of Deeds for the Northern District of said County, Book of Plans 21, Plan 4; thence southerly by said old road one hundred sixty-two and 5-10 feet to a stone wall; thence south 43° 16' east two hundred forty and 5-10 feet to a corner; thence north 85° 43' east one hundred sixty-four and 6-10 feet; thence in a northwesterly direction by a stone wall two hundred fifty-five feet; thence north 55° 05' east one hundred eight feet; thence westerly by the center line of a road shown on said plan twenty-four feet in width three hundred fifteen and 4-10 feet to the point of beginning. Containing one and 43-100 acres and being the same premises to said Nathan Birchenough and Maggie A. Birchenough conveyed by Charles E. Guthrie by deed dated April 1, 1904 and recorded in said Registry, Book 363, Page 561. Together with the right to use a strip twelve feet in width adjoining the northerly side of said premises as a passageway.

The above described premises will be sold and conveyed subject to any and all unpaid taxes, municipal or other assessments and tax sales which may be due or to become due thereon. The purchaser will be required to pay $200 in cash at the time and place of sale, and the balance in ten days from the day of sale at the office of William T. Sheppard, 103 Central street, Lowell, Mass.

CHARLES E. GUTHRIE, Assignee.
D7-14-21

LEGAL NOTICES

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS. Middlesex, ss. Probate Court.

To the heirs-at-law, next of kin and all other persons interested in the estate of Edward C. White, late of Lowell, in said County, deceased.

Whereas, a certain instrument purporting to be the last will and testament of said deceased has been presented to said Court, for Probate, by James J. Kerwin, who prays that letters testamentary may be issued to him, the executor therein named, without giving a surety on his official bond.

You are hereby cited to appear at a Probate Court, to be held at Lowell, in said County of Middlesex, on the fifteenth day of December, A. D. 1914, at nine o'clock in the forenoon, to show cause, if any you have, why the same should not be granted.

And said petitioner is hereby directed to give public notice thereof, by publishing this citation once in each week, for three successive weeks, in The Lowell Sun, a newspaper published in Lowell, the last publication to be one day, at least, before said Court, and by mailing postpaid, or delivering a copy of this citation to all known persons interested in the estate, seven days at least before said Court.

Witness, Charles J. McIntire, Esquire, First Judge of said Court, this second day of December, in the year one thousand nine hundred and fourteen.

W. E. ROGERS, Register.
D5-12-14

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS. Middlesex, ss. Probate Court.

To the heirs-at-law, next of kin and all other persons interested in the estate of William G. Deuns, late of Lowell, in said County, deceased.

Whereas, a certain instrument purporting to be the last will and testament of said deceased has been presented to said Court, for Probate, by Daniel J. Donahue, who prays that letters testamentary may be issued to him, the executor therein named, without giving a surety on his official bond.

You are hereby cited to appear at a Probate Court, to be held at Cambridge, in said County of Middlesex, on the fourteenth day of January, A. D. 1915, at nine o'clock in the forenoon, to show cause, if any you have, why the same should not be granted.

And said petitioner is hereby directed to give public notice thereof, by publishing this citation once in each week, for three successive weeks, in The Lowell Sun, a newspaper published in Lowell, the last publication to be one day, at least, before said Court, and by mailing postpaid, or delivering a copy of this citation to all known persons interested in the estate thirty days at least before said Court.

Witness, Charles J. McIntire, Esquire, First Judge of said Court, this ninth day of December, in the year one thousand nine hundred and fourteen.

W. E. ROGERS, Register.
D12-14-21

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS. Middlesex, ss. Probate Court.

To the heirs-at-law, next of kin, creditors, and all other persons interested in the estate of Margaret Jones, late of Lowell, in said County, deceased, intestate.

Whereas a petition has been presented to said Court to grant a letter of administration on the estate of said deceased to Katie Jones, of Andover, in the County of Essex, or to some other suitable person.

You are hereby cited to appear at a Probate Court to be held at Cambridge, in said County of Middlesex, on the twenty-ninth day of December, A. D. 1914, at nine o'clock in the forenoon, to show cause, if any you have, why the same should not be granted.

And the petitioner is hereby directed to give public notice thereof, by publishing this citation once in each week, for three successive weeks, in The Lowell Sun, a newspaper published in Lowell, the last publication to be one day at least before said Court.

Witness, Charles J. McIntire, Esquire, First Judge of said Court, this eleventh day of December, in the year one thousand nine hundred and fourteen.

W. E. ROGERS, Register.
D12-14-21

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS. Middlesex, ss. Probate Court.

To all persons interested in the estate of Patrick H. Callahan, late of Lowell, in said County, deceased:

Whereas, Bernard J. Callahan, the executor of the will of said deceased, has presented for allowance, the first account of his administration upon the estate of said deceased:

You are hereby cited to appear at a Probate Court, to be held at Lowell in said County, on the fifteenth day of December, A. D. 1914, at nine o'clock in the forenoon, to show cause, if any you have, why the same should not be allowed.

And said executor is ordered to serve this citation by delivering a copy thereof to all persons interested in the estate fourteen days at least before said Court, or by publishing the same once in each week, for three successive weeks, in The Lowell Sun, a newspaper published in Lowell, the last publication to be one day at least before said Court, and by mailing, post-paid, a copy of this citation to all known persons interested in the estate seven days at least before said Court.

Witness, Charles J. McIntire, Esquire, First Judge of said Court, this twenty-fourth day of November, in the year one thousand nine hundred and fourteen.

W. E. ROGERS, Register.
James E. O'Donnell, Attorney.
D1-11-14

DISSOLUTION OF COPARTNERSHIP

We hereby give notice that the copartnership heretofore existing between Alex Mailloux and Daniel Burke, both of Lowell, in the County of Middlesex and Commonwealth of Massachusetts, under the name of the Howard Street Garage, located at 11 Howard street, in said Lowell, has this day been dissolved, and that the business will hereafter be carried on by said Burke under said name at 11 Howard street, all bills due to said firm to be paid to said Burke, and all bills due from said firm to be paid by said Burke.

ALEX MAILLOUX,
DANIEL BURKE.

Lowell, Mass., Nov. 24, 1914.

HELP WANTED

AGENTS BE YOUR OWN BOSS; follow our directions; make $5 to $10 daily. Steady sellers. H. H. Brehm, 2179 Third Avenue, New York, N. Y.

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IF THE PERSON WHO TOOK THE coat by mistake from the party at Dempsey's Place, Saturday night, will return same to 40 Roberts st. no questions will be asked.

BROWN LEATHER BILL FOLD containing sum of money and owner's name on it, lost in Associate hall, or on Moody, Aiken sts., or Lilley ave., Friday night. Reward if returned to 221 Hildreth st.

BOSTON TERRIER, BRINDLE, white neck, lost, Dec. 10; name Pretzel. Finder kindly return to D. O. Swan, 305 Nesmith st.

RUBY SCARF PIN SET WITH FOUR small diamonds lost between cor. Lawrence and So. Whipple sts. and the Lowell Rendering Works, via So. Lowell car Dec. 2nd. Finder please return to 13 So. Whipple st. and receive reward.

WANTED

PARLOR STOVE IN GOOD CONDITION wanted; state price, how long used and name of stove. Address J. F. C., Sun Office.

DOGS AND PUPPIES OF EVERY description wanted. Orders for Pomeranians and St. Bernards. Cash paid. Delaney Kennels, 60 Juniper st., Lawrence, Mass.

FARMERS, TAKE NOTICE

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FURNISHED AND UNFURNISHED rooms to let; heat; running hot and cold water; one suite suitable for light housekeeping; on two car lines. 200 Branch st.

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4-ROOM TENEMENT TO LET AT 37 Paige st. Apply Henry Miller & Son, 309 Wyman's Exchange.

6-ROOM UP-TO-DATE TENEMENT to let; hot and cold water; 42 Ware st. Inquire 28 Ware st.

FURNISHED STEAM HEATED rooms to let; hot and cold water. Inquire 27 Anne st.

SIX-ROOM COTTAGE WITH BATH, to let, at 33 Howard st.; in good condition; two minutes' walk from depot. Inquire 22 Mt. Vernon st.

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FIVE-ROOM TENEMENT TO LET; separate toilet on each floor; $2 per week; at 12 Watson ave., near depot. Apply C. Harry Clapp, 504 Middlesex st.

NEW MODERN COTTAGE IN DRACUT Centre, to let; also clean, bright tenement near Gorham st., for small family. Dr. Wesley Sawyer.

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TO LET

5 rooms, 37 Fourth st. $15.00
6 rooms, 698 School st. $15.00
4 rooms, 673 Lakeview ave. $1.00
5 rooms, 18 Second st. $2.00
Keys on premises.

INQUIRE

MAHONEY, 77 Beech St.

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DIAMONDS—FIFTY CENTS A WEEK. Watches, jewelry, mesh bags, toilet sets, etc. Send postal and I will call. R. J. Wheeler, 43 Varney st.

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THE CORAM HOUSE, "PRIVATE Hospital" has a few rooms to rent to graduate nurses in good standing. Telephone 4622.

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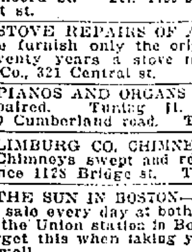
THE SUN IN BOSTON—THE SUN IS on sale every day at both news stands of the Union station in Boston. Don't forget this when taking your train for Lowell.

SITUATIONS WANTED

EXPERIENCED COOK WOULD LIKE situation. Inquire 855 Merrimack st. Peter Behris.



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Consultation, Examination, Advice FREE

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KEY TO FIRE ALARM BOXES

1 All box numbers commencing with the figure one, as 12, 13, etc. up to 131 are located within a radius of about one-half mile from the North common, extending from Dutton street north to Pawtucket street and from School street east to Merrimack mills.

2 All box numbers commencing with two as 21, 23, etc., are located in the business area about one-quarter mile radius from the post office, extending from Boott mills to South common and from Dutton street to Concord river.

3 All box numbers commencing with three, are located in the lower Highlands, extending from the depot to Wilder street and from Hale street along the line of Western avenue and Pawtucket canal to Pawtucket street.

4 All box numbers commencing with four, are located in the Ayer's City and Bleachery districts, extending from Edson cemetery northerly to Hale street and from Chelmsford street easterly to Concord river.

5 All numbers commencing with five, are located in the upper Highlands and Middlesex Village.

6 All numbers commencing with six, are located in Centralville.

7 All numbers commencing with seven, are located in Pawtucketville.

8 All numbers commencing with eight, are located in Belvidere.

TRAINS TO AND FROM BOSTON

Southern Div.

To Boston Lve.	To Boston Arr.	From Boston Lve.	From Boston Arr.
5.13	6.00	2.55	3.39
6.25	7.26	6.00	6.58
6.47	7.30	7.11	8.21
b6.40	7.53	7.50	8.35
6.57	8.00	n8.21	9.29
7.21	8.05	9.00	9.39
s7.28	8.49	9.30	10.55
7.56	8.37	11.30	12.09
8.56	9.37	12.30	1.09
n9.20	10.34	2.00	3.06
9.38	10.18	3.00	3.46
10.14	11.36	b3.44	5.00
11.03	11.45	4.00	4.38
12.15	1.05	s4.14	5.34
1.45	2.25	5.00	5.39
2.30	3.27	b5.21	6.32
3.49	4.30	5.38	6.34
4.20	5.27	b5.51	7.14
5.31	6.28	6.11	7.23
b6.17	7.22	8.00	8.35
6.22	7.05	8.30	9.08
8.08	8.50	10.30	11.35
9.46	10.30	11.40	12.35

Portland Div.

To Boston Lve.	To Boston Arr.	From Boston Lve.	From Boston Arr.
6.53	7.36	z6.39	8.08
n7.52	8.45	9.13	10.29
9.32	10.53	10.50	11.53
10.57	12.07	11.50	12.53
12.02	1.13	3.30	4.40
z1.27	2.40	5.14	6.13
3.40	4.41	6.03	7.05
5.15	6.41	7.00	8.15
7.25	8.36	9.53	11.09
10.25	11.35		

Sunday Trains

Southern Division

To Boston Lve.	To Boston Arr.	From Boston Lve.	From Boston Arr.
6.47	7.30	8.45	9.47
7.21	8.05	9.50	10.03
8.30	9.36	11.30	12.09
9.05	9.55	1.00	1.59
10.20	11.17	5.30	6.24
2.42	3.25	6.00	6.29
5.10	6.00	8.30	9.08
6.27	7.10	9.20	10.23
8.08	8.50	10.29	11.25
9.48	10.30		

Portland Division

To Boston Lve.	To Boston Arr.	From Boston Lve.	From Boston Arr.
8.20	9.27	6.00	9.13
12.10	1.16	12.00	1.00
3.50	5.04	3.30	4.48
6.15	7.00	5.20	6.38
8.55	10.04	8.15	9.43

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MEN IN STATE PRISON WILL WEAR NIGHTSHIRTS

BOSTON, Dec. 14.—Beginning tonight, the inmates of the Charlestown state prison will for the first time in the history of the institution wear nighshirts when they go to bed. This is an innovation in prisons, Charlestown being the first in the country to adopt it.

The idea originated with Acting Warden Nathan D. Allen, who has been in charge of the prison for the past six months. In the past few weeks he has had the prisoners busily engaged in the workshops making the shirts and today Mr. Allen will give each of the 751 inmates two shirts, so that they may make a change once a week.

Many of the inmates, according to the prison officials, will don night shirts for the first time in their lives. It will be the first time in 38 years that Jesse Pomeroy has retired in a night shirt.

Heretofore the prisoners have gone to bed in their working clothes. When Mr. Allen assumed charge of the institution he did not believe the prisoners should sleep in the clothes they wore while working about the prison yards and shops, and he immediately got the forces in the shops busy on 1600 night garments.

Four hundred white iron beds, with springs and mattresses, are also being turned out in the prison workshops at the orders of Mr. Allen, who will install them in the old section of the prison, replacing the old-fashioned wooden flat-beds located in some 400 cells in the north and west wings. A bathroom with tubs is being installed in the prison hospital. Already there are several shower baths in the prison, under which the inmates take weekly baths.

Many other changes are contemplated by Acting Warden Allen within the next few months. He has already made many improvements since assuming charge of the institution. The buildings have all been repaired and painted, new sanitary facilities installed and the food served to the prisoners has been improved. Smoking is now permitted by the men in their cells from 7 a. m. to 9 p. m., while they are in the cells. Heretofore the men were allowed to smoke an hour and a half each evening.

The prisoners highly appreciate the interest that is being taken in them by Mr. Allen, and have extended him a vote of thanks. There is a general good feeling among all of the inmates, and the prison is said to never have been on such a good footing as today. There is no trouble among the inmates and less punishment is meted out.

TURKISH BATTLESHIP TORPEDOED BY BRITISH

LONDON, Dec. 14.—A communication is issued by the official bureau today, announcing that the Turkish battleship Messudieh has been torpedoed by a British submarine.

The official bureau's statement is as follows:

"Yesterday submarine B 11 in charge of Lieutenant Commander Norman D. Holbrook of the royal navy entered the Dardanelles and, in spite of the difficult current, dived under five rows of mines and torpedoed the Turkish battleship Messudieh, which was guarding the mine fields.

"Although pursued by gunfire and torpedoboats, the B 11 returned safely after being submerged, on one occasion for nine hours.

"When last seen the Messudieh was sinking by the stern."

The Messudieh was a very old boat, having been built at Blackwell, Eng., in 1874 and reconstructed in 1903.

SERVIANS CAPTURE SEVEN AUSTRIAN OFFICERS AND 2188

LONDON, Dec. 14.—According to a despatch from Nish, Servia, to Reuter's Telegram company an official communication issued there Sunday claims that all attempts by the Austrians to halt their retreat have failed and that the Servians are continuing to sweep the country clear of them. The Servians are advancing successfully in the direction of Milanovatz and Belgrade, the communication continues:

"The enemy is retiring southeast of Obrenovatz.

"In the course of the day the Servians captured seven officers and 2,188 men, two flags, sixteen mountain guns, other guns, munitions and supplies."

FEATURES OF LAST NIGHT'S EUROPEAN WAR NEWS IN BRIEF FORM

French successes in Woevre threatened German line of communication between St. Mihiel and Pont-a-Mousson.

German attacks around Ypres and in Vosges repulsed.

Germans announced capture of 11,000 prisoners in North Poland.

Sweden refutes German claim that Russian mines blew up Swedish ships.

Report kaiser must undergo operation on throat; Berlin dispatches say he will return to the front this week.

Germany said to have advised Turkey to yield to Italy's demand for satisfaction for violation of consulate at Hodeida, Arabia.

Austrians report victories over Russians in Galicia.

Brussels arranges to pay war levy by taxation.

Both German and French official reports yesterday contained evidence that the allies' offensive movement is beginning to gather impetus and is meeting with stubborn resistance.

ESTABLISHMENT OF AN AERIAL MAIL SERVICE

WASHINGTON, Dec. 14.—Asserting that for the first time since its organization by Benjamin Franklin, the post office department is on a self sustaining basis, Postmaster General Burleson submitted to President Wilson yesterday his annual report.

Among the most striking recommendations he makes is the establishment of an aerial mail service, where topography warrants, and extension of motor truck and auto service in view of recent experiments.

To Be Self Sustaining

Mr. Burleson's report records enormous growth in the department's business because of the parcel post and postal savings bank divisions, and recommends a program of postal legislation to increase the scope of the department's activities.

Mr. Burleson features his report with an estimate that a surplus of $3,569,545, the second of his administration, will be shown for the fiscal year of 1914, when all claims and charges have been made. On that showing he bases his declaration that the department "has been securely placed upon a self sustaining basis."

"It is safe to say," the report adds, "that unless unusual conditions should arise resulting in abnormal depression of business there is no danger of recurring deficiencies."

The legislative program recommended is as follows as to its most important features:

Early action toward government ownership of telegraph and telephone lines and immediate taking over of these systems in Hawaii, Alaska and Porto Rico; transfer of the Alaska cable from war to postoffice department control.

Contract R. D. Service.

Substitution of contract "star route" system for salaried rural carrier service to eliminate $40,000,000 annual loss on rural delivery.

Postoffice cooperation with state governments in road building where improvements insure better postal service.

Raising maximum balance acceptable at postal banks from $500 to $3000, interest payments to be limited to $1000. Removal of monthly deposit limit restriction.

Aerial mail service, where topography warrants, and extension of motor truck and automobile service in view of recent successful experiments.

Passage by senate of pending bill providing space basis of compensation for railroads on mail carried instead of weight basis.

Pending change in rural delivery system, computation of carriers' salaries on basis of services performed, dependent on bulk of mail carried, to stimulate business.

Readjustment of postmasters' salaries on basis of changes in business handled due to parcel post development.

Raising of second class rates on publications other than newspapers issued once a week from one to two cents a pound.

Granting the department legal jurisdiction over selection of sites and designs for postal buildings.

STUBBORN FIRE

In the Mansur Block—Blaze at Fairmount Street Residence

Fire broke out in the Mansur block at the corner of Central and Market streets about 11 o'clock yesterday and for a time it was feared that the building was doomed. The blaze was discovered by E. C. Osborn, employed by J. A. Weinbeck, and a telephone alarm summoned a portion of the fire department. This was quickly followed by an alarm from box 25, at the police station and the prompt work of the firemen prevented a serious loss.

The fire started in a shaft in the centre of the building through which numerous pipes pass and the reflection of the blaze through the partitions attracted the attention of Mr. Osborn. The blaze made rapid headway and the firemen found considerable difficulty in getting in a position to extinguish the creeping flames. It was necessary to rip off the partitions on several floors and to use a large quantity of water, before the fire was put out. The origin of the blaze could not be learned though it is suspected plumbers who worked in the shaft during the past week left some material which caused the fire.

The entire loss is estimated at about $500, the principal damage being done to the building which is owned by the Nesmith estate. Dr. Dugdale was also a heavy loser as was the proprietor of the Crown studio. Slight damage was done in the Mathew Temperance institute rooms and to the undertaking establishment of J. A. Weinbeck.

Fred C. Church carried insurance on the Mansur block damaged by fire yesterday morning, also on the stock of John B. Chapman, tailor; Ella C. Green, studio, and J. A. Weinbeck's stock.

Fire at Lawyer Donahue's Home

Considerable damage was done to the dwelling of Daniel J. Donahue at 157 Fairmount street by a fire which was discovered at 2 o'clock yesterday forenoon. The fire originated under a couch in one of the parlors and spread rapidly before the arrival of the fire department. A portion of the front part of the house was badly damaged while the furniture on the lower floor suffered considerably from smoke and water. A telephone alarm was followed by an alarm from box 87.

Fred C. Church carried insurance on the house and contents of Daniel J. Donahue, Esq., Fairmount street, damaged by fire yesterday morning.

A telephone alarm at 12.14 o'clock yesterday was for a fire in an automobile on Stedman street. The machine is owned by H. L. Chalifoux and the blaze was extinguished before any damage was done.

SHE IS NOT DEAD

Mrs. C. L. Merriam Not Seriously Injured and Will Recover

The Lowell friends of Mrs. Charles L. Merriam, wife of the former Lowell clergyman killed in an auto accident in New Jersey, will rejoice to know that she is not dead and that her recovery is expected. She was in the auto with her husband when the accident occurred and was seriously injured.

Somehow the report that she was dead was sent out from Boston Saturday and was published widely over the state.

Mr. A. W. Greeley, her brother, who resides at 450 Beacon street, this city, wired to New Jersey Saturday evening asking if she had died of her injuries as reported. He received in reply a statement that she was not dead and that her speedy recovery is expected. She suffered severely from the nervous shock as well as the actual injuries. She was too ill to be notified of her husband's death until late on the day following. She was unable to leave the hospital to attend the funeral which occurred Friday but she has borne up well under the strain.

It is hoped she will soon be able to leave the hospital.

The funeral of Mr. Merriam was held Friday from the Congregational church in Hackensack, N. J.

Mrs. Merriam was formerly Miss Grace Greeley of Pelham. She was a public school teacher in the city of Malden before her marriage.

FIRE CAUSED $5000 LOSS

BLAZE IN PITTSFIELD BUSINESS BUILDING IS BELIEVED TO HAVE STARTED FROM ELECTRIC WIRES

PITTSFIELD, Dec. 14.—A fire, which is believed to have started from electric wiring, caused damage of $5000 in a wooden building on Fenn and Pearl streets yesterday. The blaze spread between partitions to the second and third floors, and the largest damage was in the works of Pfeiffer & S. Cheyne, A. F. Dodge's harness shop and Klein Bros' grocery, due to water and smoke.

Some loss on the third floor will fall on the Pittsfield garage, Knights of Malta, St. Jean Baptiste society and Court Greylock, F. of A., which used this floor as a lodge roof. The building is owned by Ex-Mayor Allen H. Bagg.

THREE FIRES IN LYNN

ONE AT THE PLANT OF THE GOODWIN BROS., 64 OXFORD STREET CAUSED ABOUT $4000 DAMAGE

LYNN, Dec. 14.—Fire, which broke out at 7 a. m. yesterday in the three-story wooden building of the Goodwin estate, 64 Oxford street, located in a nest of brick structures, gave the firemen a three hours' battle.

It started from a boiler in the basement, which, together with the first two stories, is occupied by the Goodwin Brothers, last manufacturers. When Patrolman Abraham L. Glover rounded an alarm a dense smoke caused by the burning of maple blocks in the basement was pouring from the windows.

The fire worked its way up through the first two floors, causing about $2000 damage to the Goodwin Bros. establishment, and burned slightly in the third floor, occupied by the Proctor Engraving company. The loss on the floor of the Proctor company is estimated at $1000.

Damage to the amount of several hundred dollars was caused in the factory of the Mitchell Stain company, 607 Washington street. Water from automatic sprinklers was released by a fire which started about noon. The explosion of a chemical near a lighted gas jet is thought to have started the fire.

Another fire, started it is believed by rats and matches, caused about $50 damage yesterday afternoon in the home of Arthur White, 251 Summer street.

FLEE IN NIGHT CLOTHING

BOLAN FAMILY AWAKENED BY BLAZE AT WINTERPORT—STOCK DESTROYED

WINTERPORT, Me., Dec. 14.—Mr. and Mrs. Wilbur H. Bolan and their two sons escaped in their night clothing early yesterday morning when they were awakened with their home ablaze.

The house and outbuildings, about a mile from this village, were burned flat with all the contents, including half a dozen head of cattle, two horses, pigs and poultry. The fire apparently originated in the shed.

The house was built more than 100 years ago and British officers took dinner there when they were on the expedition up the Penobscot in 1814. It was a famous landmark commanding a fine view of the river. It had been occupied by several generations of the Bolan family. The loss will be about $3500, partially insured.

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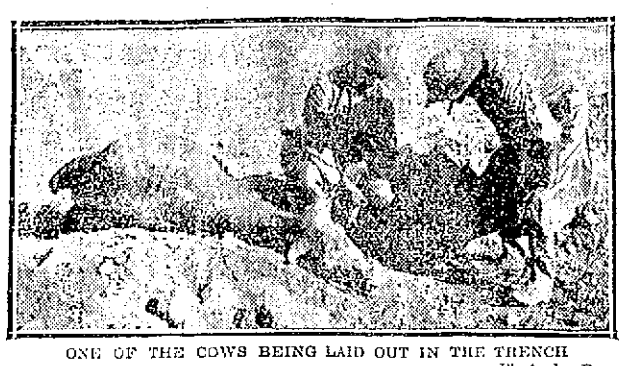

ONE OF THE COWS BEING LAID OUT IN THE TRENCH
Photo by Barr

State Officials Slaughtered Cattle and Pigs—One Cow Made a Race for Life

The George F. Heland herd of cattle in Dracut was the last herd to be killed in this state as the result of the foot and mouth disease. Mr. Heland's farm is just this side of the New Hampshire line, and one who happened that way Saturday forenoon might imagine that the Germans and allies were fighting it out on neutral territory. State and government agents killed 39 cattle and 26 pigs, and some hens.

Dr. Charles J. Dalley, district agent for the department of animal industry, was high executioner, and he had as his assistants Frank S. Marlon and Fred H. Bancroft. Dr. Hyde and Dr. Crawford were appraisers for the government, and Otis E. Furbush and M. T. Cerrigan, appraisers for the state. Dr. Eaton was also present.

Dr. Dalley, the man with the gun, belongs in Lexington. He used a .45-calibre Colt revolver and his aim was ever sure. He is the William Tell of the animal industry department. As the cows were led out they were placed in trenches as was the case in the shooting of the Coburn herd. Pigs and cattle were buried in the same trenches with a covering of quicklime to insure their complete destruction.

The work was begun at 10 o'clock and was finished early in the afternoon. There was some excitement when one of the cows bolted upon reaching the trench and started pell-mell through the field with two men hanging on to either horn for dear life. The cow's marathon, however, was cut short by one of the men who gave her the foot as she was about to jump a stone wall. Twenty minutes later she had forgotten all about her troubles. She was dead in the trench with pigs as her death companions.

Agent C. F. Richardson and his assistant, C. F. Gilmore of the Lowell Humane society were present by invitation, as was The Sun's photographer. All of the men actively engaged and those present as spectators were required to wear rubber garments and high rubber boots to permit effective disinfecting at the completion of the task.

Mr. Heland will receive between $2000 and $3000 for his cattle, the state paying one-half and the federal government one-half. It will be several months, however, before he will receive his money as appropriations for extraordinary expenses both in the state and federal governments have been dissipated. The chances are that the bill will not be paid until the legislature gets down to business again and appropriates the money.

The Sun photographer visited the scene and took a snapshot as one of the cows was laid out in the trench.

THE LADIES OF CHARITY

MET YESTERDAY AFTERNOON AT ST. JOHN'S HOSPITAL AND CHOSE BOARD OF DIRECTORS

The officers of the Ladies of Charity of St. John's hospital held a very important meeting at the hospital yesterday afternoon for the purpose of choosing a board of directors for the coming year. Many routine matters were transacted and it was planned to hold many social activities for the season, including a linen shower to be held the second Saturday in January.

The present officers of the Ladies of Charity are: President, Miss Rose A. Dowd; vice presidents, Mrs. W. P. Lawler, Mrs. John J. Hogan; recording secretary, Miss M. Alice Cox; corresponding secretary, Sister Celine; treasurer, Sister Mary Clare.

Following is the board of directors chosen yesterday: Mrs. E. D. Kerwin, Mrs. P. L. Gilbride, Mrs. P. F. Sullivan, Mrs. E. A. McQuade, Mrs. James Gookin, Mrs. J. H. Donnelly, Mrs. C. W. Brown, Miss Pearl Courtney, Mrs. Hugh C. McOsker, Miss Louisa Drach, Mrs. Nano Gallagher-Leakey, Miss Elizabeth Clark, Miss Fannie Maxwell, Mrs. Chas. Keyes, Miss Margaret J. McCluskey, Mrs. Henry L. Hourke.

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MILITARY PREPAREDNESS AGAIN DISCUSSED—COMMANDER STERLING TESTIFIES

WASHINGTON, Dec. 14.—Military preparedness of the country was up for discussion again today by the house naval affairs committee with Secretary Daniels on hand ready to continue his testimony. Commander Sterling of the naval tender Dixie was to testify regarding the condition of submarine boats of the navy. Testimony of these two witnesses was expected to conclude the public sessions of the committee preliminary to holding executive sessions when the naval appropriation bill is to be finally passed upon before being reported to the house.

Testimony so far has been to the effect that while an increase of submarines was desirable, the number of battleships should not be curtailed on that account; that there is a present shortage of officers and men; that it has been difficult to get satisfactory aeroplanes in which the United States is behind Europe; that the Mexican expedition brought out clearly the lack of medical supplies and the need of two new hospital ships; that for a full medical complement the navy is short 65 naval officers and that there are numerous needs of the navy.

The need of additional funds with which to meet the social obligations of the superintendent of the naval academy was brought out in the executive hearings. Captain William Fullam, confiding to the naval committee, "that I would not go to the naval academy again as superintendent under these circumstances," of lack of sufficient funds for hospitalities that could not be escaped, suggested that "Annapolis is very near Washington." This, he said, entails social responsibilities, besides "the real obligation to entertain the midshipmen, which has a tremendous influence for good upon them." He advocated his successors have a contingent fund of $2500 a year for this purpose, the military academy at West Point having $6,000.

FUNERAL OF S. E. PAYNE

AMERICAN AND FOREIGN OFFICIALS PRESENT AT SERVICES IN CONGRESSIONAL CHAMBER

WASHINGTON, Dec. 14.—The official life of the nation yesterday paid final tribute to the late Sereno E. Payne, for more than 30 years a member of the house of representatives from New York. Black garbed legislators, executives and members of the judiciary in their sombre, flowing robes, were joined by the representatives of foreign countries in the first formal funeral ceremony held in the chamber of the house in 15 years.

The cloud of sorrow hung heaviest over a little group of legislative veterans who sought the cold comfort of companionship in misery far back in a corner in the rear of the chamber. They were the republican "old guard," companions-in-arms of the dead statesman in the legislative battles of a quarter of a century, and they seemed uncomfortable in the public show of their grief.

In the centre, stiffly upright, with folded arms, sat "Uncle Joe" Cannon, the dead man's chief in many a hard-fought struggle of policy and statecraft. Beside him ranged James Hemenway of Indiana, John Dwight of New York, Ebenezer Hill of Connecticut and John Dalzell of Pennsylvania. All had poignant memories of standing shoulder to shoulder with the bulky form of the New York legislator in great and small governmental struggles.

The simple funeral ceremony, the quiet strains of the hymns, started unbidden tears, that were hurriedly brushed away with studied carelessness. In all the solemn formality, the "old guard" seemed to have no part. Their's was a deeper, closer grief. When the ceremony was done, and hundreds had passed the flower-banked catafalque, they stood together and gazed for a few moments on all that was mortal of their dead companion.

"I swore I would never enter this chamber again until I came with a certificate of election in my hand," said "Uncle Joe" Cannon, his square jaw trembling, "but Payne died and I had to come to the funeral."

Neither President Wilson nor Vice President Marshall attended the services, but both were represented. The senate entered the chamber headed by Senator Thornton of Louisiana, as president pro tem, and Secretary of State Bryan headed the cabinet members. Secretaries Houston, Redfield, Lane and Wilson, the cabinet members and the justices of the supreme court occupied the front seats of the house chamber.

When the gathering had been seated and the galleries had been filled with a thousand spectators, Rev. Dr. Henry D. Couden, chaplain of the house, opened the services with a simple prayer. "Nearer, My God, to Thee," was sung by the quartet of Calvary Baptist church, which Mr. Payne attended, and Rev. Samuel H. Greene, pastor of the church, preached a brief sermon. The quartet then sang "Lead, Kindly Light" and the chaplain pronounced the benediction.

After the ceremony the body was left to lie in state until later yesterday afternoon when, escorted by a committee of 60 members of the house and senate, it was taken to Auburn, N. Y., the home of Mr. Payne.

MAINE HUNTER KILLED

RAMSEY PICKED UP GUN BY MUZZLE AND THE TRIGGER CAUGHT AND CHARGE ENTERED BODY

OLDTOWN, Me., Dec. 14.—John Ramsey, aged 28 years, employed in the pulp mill at Great Works, where he lived, was killed yesterday afternoon by an accidental shot from his own rifle.

He was on a hunting trip at a camp on Great Work stream, about six miles from this city. He had rested his rifle against a stump in front of the camp, and in picking it up by the muzzle the trigger caught and the charge entered his body over the heart.

Friends started with him for the hospital here, but he died on the way. He leaves a wife and one child.

If you want help at home or in your business, try The Sun "Want" column.

PASTOR IS THREATENED

Catholic Priest Formerly of This City Receives Blackhand Threat of Death

Rev. Casimir Urbanowicz, pastor of St. Rocco's church, Montello, who received a blackhand letter one day last week threatening his life unless he vacated the church property, was formerly pastor of St. Joseph's (Lithuanian) church in Rogers street, this city.

Rev. Fr. Urbanowicz celebrated mass at the church yesterday despite the pleas of his people. A number of policemen were on hand to guard the priest from molestation, and a close watch was kept on all persons coming near the rectory of the church. A middle aged woman is suspected of delivering the blackhand letter containing the threats to kill the priest. Her arrest is expected at any moment.

Here is the text of the blackhand letter:

"Dear Father:—If you do not vacate St. Rocco's church property, where you are now living, within twenty-four hours, we will kill you.

"This is no joke, as you will find out in due time."

Instead of a signature appeared a blackhand with a drawing of a skull and crossbones at the top of the letter paper.

The letter was written in lead pencil and in English. The writer was fairly intelligent, according to the police. It was delivered to the maid at the rectory, Miss Mary Sarkilosky.

Rev. Fr. Urbanowicz made many friends during his stay at St. Joseph's church in this city. He was a tall, fine looking man and possessed many scholarly attainments. His former parishioners are greatly incensed over the sending of the threatening letter and are in hopes that the writer will be speedily apprehended.

ITALY DEMANDS REDRESS

GERMANY ADVISES THE PORTE TO YIELD—CONSUL OF HODEIDA WAS KEPT PRISONER

ROME, Dec. 14.—Italy has reiterated her urgent demand for satisfaction to the sublime porte for the forcible removal of G. A. Richardson, the British consul at Hodeida, Arabia, from the Italian consulate, where he had taken refuge, and for his immediate liberation.

It is understood that Germany has advised the Constantinople government to satisfy Italy's demand and thus avoid complications.

Baron Sonnino, the Italian minister of foreign affairs, in answering an interpellation in the chamber of deputies Saturday regarding the Hodeida incident, gave the story of Consul Richardson's arrest, which already had been made public. He added that Sig. Cecchi, the Italian consul at Hodeida, who came to the defense of his colleague, was obliged to remain in his own house, which was watched for several days, until the arrival of the Italian coast guard ship Giuliana and the Italian armored cruiser Marco Polo, which had been ordered to Hodeida.

The Turkish government, in answering a request for reparation, the minister told the deputies, said that it was awaiting information and would adopt the necessary measures. Baron Sonnino concluded by saying that he did not believe the Ottoman government wished to share the responsibility of such a patent violation of consular rights.

Having heard Baron Sonnino's statement, the deputies indulged in an enthusiastic manifestation in favor of national concord, in which the whole house, including the president, the premier and the cabinet, joined, crying "Viva Italia!" after which the chamber adjourned until Feb. 13.

Senator Morandi Saturday presented in the senate a resolution in which he says that peace would probably be even more disastrous than the present awful conflict, if it obliged Europe to provide new and excessive armaments, as this would mean ruin to the economic forces and thus would be a grave danger to social order and civil progress.

The senator said that armaments lead to the cataclysm which they are intended to avert. His resolution urges the government to use all its influence to avoid further armaments.

MANY APPEAL FOR AID

CHICAGO CHARITABLE ORGANIZATIONS SWAMPED AS RESULT OF COLD WAVE—ZERO WEATHER

CHICAGO, Dec. 14.—Charitable organizations were swamped here today for appeals for aid as a result of a cold wave which swept the great lakes region last night. The temperature dropped 31 degrees to zero in 10 hours. All municipal lodging houses were packed with homeless men last night.

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